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Introduction

Guaranty Trust Bank's Consolidated Financial Statements complies with the applicable legal Requirements of the Nigerian Securities and Exchange Commission regarding Annual Financial Statements and comprises Separate and Consolidated Financial Statements of the Bank and the Group for the financial year ended 31 December, 2019. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and adopted by the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria. For better understanding, certain disclosures and some prior year figures have been presented in line with current year figures. Due to rounding, numbers presented throughout this document may not add up precisely to the totals provided and percentages may not precisely reflect the absolute figures.

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VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

VISION

We are a team driven to deliver the utmost in customer service.

We are synonymous with innovation, building excellence and superior financial performance and creating role models for society.

MISSION

We are a high quality financial services provider with the urge to be the best at all times whilst adding value to all stakeholders.

DIRECTORS

1	Mrs. O. A. Demuren	Chairman, Board of Directors
2	Mr. J. K. O. Agbaje	Managing Director/CEO
3	Mr. K. A. Adeola	Non-Executive Director
4	Mr. O. M. Augusto	Non-Executive Director
5	Mr. I. Hassan	Non-Executive Director
6	Mr. H. A. Oyinlola	Non-Executive Director
7	Ms. I. L. Akpofure	Non-Executive (Independent) Director
8	Mr. B. T. Soyoye	Non-Executive (Independent) Director
9	Mrs. V. O. Adefala	Non-Executive (Independent) Director
10	Mr. A. A. Odeyemi	Executive Director
11	Mr. H. Musa	Executive Director
12	Mr. J. M. Lawal	Executive Director
13	Mrs. M. C. Olusanya	Executive Director
14	Mr. B. G. Okuntola	Executive Director

Company Secretary

Mr. E. E. Obebeduo
FRC/2017/NBA/00000016024

Registered Office

Plot 635, Akin Adesola Street
Victoria Island, Lagos State.

Auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers
Landmark Towers
5B, Water Corporation Road
Victoria Island, Lagos State.

Registrar & Transfer Office

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RESULT AT A GLANCE

GROSS EARNINGS	PROFIT BEFORE TAX	PROFIT AFTER TAX
₦435.31billion	₦231.71billion	₦196.85billion

	Group Dec-19 ₦'million	Group Dec-18 ₦'million	Increase/ (Decrease) %	Parent Dec-19 ₦'million	Parent Dec-18 ₦'million	Increase/ (Decrease) %
Major Income Statement Items						
Gross earnings	435,307	434,699	0.1	350,927	356,380	-1.5
Profit before income tax	231,708	215,587	7.5	200,178	189,971	5.4
Profit after income tax	196,849	184,711	6.6	175,125	166,753	5.0
Earnings per share (Kobo)						
	696	654	6.3	595	567	5.0
Major Statement of Financial Position Items						
Loans and advances to customers	1,500,572	1,259,010	19.2	1,300,821	1,067,999	21.8
Deposits from customers	2,532,540	2,273,903	11.4	2,086,810	1,865,816	11.8
Total assets	3,758,919	3,287,343	14.3	3,097,248	2,712,521	14.2
Total equity	687,337	576,277	19.3	605,890	510,186	18.8

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirtieth Annual General Meeting of **GUARANTY TRUST BANK PLC** will hold at the Oriental Hotel, 3, Lekki Road, Victoria Island, Lagos State, on Monday, March 30, 2020, at 10.00 a.m. to transact the following business:

ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the Reports of the Directors, Auditors and Statutory Audit Committee thereon;
2. To declare a dividend;
3. To authorise Directors to fix the remuneration of the Auditors;
4. To elect Members of the Statutory Audit Committee.

PROXY

A member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his/her/its stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. For the appointment to be valid, a completed and duly stamped proxy form must be deposited at the office of the Registrar, Datamax Registrars Limited, No. 2c, Gbagada Express Road, Gbagada Phase 1, Lagos State, not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting. A blank proxy form is attached to the Annual Report.

BY THE ORDER OF THE BOARD



ERHI OBESEDUO
Company Secretary
FRC/2017/NBA/00000016024
Plot 635, Akin Adesola Street
Victoria Island, Lagos

March 4, 2020

NOTES

1. Dividend

If approved, dividend will be payable on Monday, March 30, 2020, at the rate of ₦2.50 Kobo per every 50 Kobo ordinary share, to shareholders whose names appear in the Register of Members at the close of business on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 (bringing total Dividend paid for the 2019 financial year to ₦2.80). Shareholders who have completed the e-Dividend Mandate Forms will receive a direct credit of the dividend into their bank accounts on the date of the Annual General Meeting. Note however, that holders of the Company's Global Depository Receipts listed on the London Stock Exchange will receive their dividend payments subsequently.

2. E-Dividend Mandate

Shareholders are kindly requested to update their records and advise Datamax Registrars Limited of their updated records and relevant bank accounts for the payment of their dividends. Detachable forms in respect of mandate for e-dividend payment, unclaimed/stale dividend payment and shareholder data update are attached to the Annual Report for convenience. The aforementioned forms can also be downloaded from the Bank's website at www.gtbank.com or from Datamax Registrars Limited's website at www.datamaxregistrars.com.

The duly completed forms should be returned to **Datamax Registrars Limited, No. 2c, Gbagada Express Road, Gbagada Phase 1, Lagos State**, or to the nearest Guaranty Trust Bank plc branch.

3. Unclaimed Dividend

Shareholders are required to revalidate their unclaimed Dividend through the e-dividend mandate process. The revalidation process can be done by visiting or writing to the Registrar, Datamax Registrars Limited, No. 2c, Gbagada Express Road, Gbagada Phase 1, Lagos State. An Unclaimed Dividend booklet containing the list of all unclaimed dividends will be circulated with the Annual Report

4. E-Annual Report

The electronic version of the Annual report is available at www.gtbank.com. Shareholders who have provided their email addresses to the Registrars will receive the electronic version of the Annual Report via email. Furthermore, Shareholders who are interested in receiving the electronic version of the Annual Report are kindly required to request via email to annualreports@datamaxregistrars.com.

5. Closure of Register

The Register of Members will be closed on Thursday, March 19, 2020, to enable the Registrar prepare for payment of dividend.

6. Statutory Audit Committee

In accordance with section 359(5) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2004, any shareholder may nominate a shareholder for appointment to the Statutory Audit Committee. Such nomination should be in writing and should reach the Company Secretary at least twenty-one (21) days before the Annual General Meeting.

Kindly note that the provisions of the Code of Corporate Governance issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) indicate that some of the members of the Statutory Audit Committee should have basic financial literacy and be knowledgeable in internal control processes.

In view of the foregoing, nominations to the Statutory Audit Committee should be supported by the Curricula Vitae of the nominees.

7. Shareholders' Right to Ask Questions

Shareholders reserve the right to ask questions at the Annual General Meeting. Shareholders may also submit questions prior to the Meeting in writing to the Company, in line with Rule 19.12(c) of the Listing Rules of the Nigerian Stock Exchange. Such questions should be addressed to the Company Secretary and reach the Company at its Head Office or by electronic mail at investorsenquiries@gtbank.com not later than 7 days to the date of the Meeting.



CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Introduction

In Guaranty Trust Bank Plc (“the Bank”), we are committed to upholding the creed and principles of good Corporate Governance in all our operations. Our good corporate governance is the bedrock of strong public trust and confidence reposed in us by shareholders, business partners, employees and the financial markets and the key to our continued long-term success. In building our corporate governance objective, the Bank’s “Orange Rules” of Simplicity, Professionalism, Service, Friendliness, Excellence, Trustworthiness, Social Responsibility and Innovation signify the Bank’s guiding ideologies upon which it was established and remain the foundation upon which we have built and developed our exemplary corporate governance practices. The Bank’s Orange Rules are fundamental to our culture and are part of the everyday conduct of the Bank’s business.

In the pursuit to deliver greater shareholder value, we continue to subject our operations to the highest standards of corporate governance, which is an essential foundation for sustainable corporate success. In view of globalization, digitalization and increased penetration of artificial intelligence in the World and specifically in the Banking industry, our resolve to maintain good corporate governance principles have become more important to us. A principle that guides our operations and actions is, success is only worth celebrating when achieved through a process supported and sustained with the right values and principles, at Guaranty Trust Bank Plc, these values have been enshrined in every employee, processes and systems through our Orange Rules.

The Bank is publicly quoted on The Nigerian Stock Exchange with Global Depository Receipts (GDRs) listed on the London Stock Exchange, we remain dedicated to our duties and pledge to safeguard and increase investor value through transparent corporate governance practices. Our Code of Corporate Governance provides a robust framework for the governance of the Board and the Bank. The Bank ensures compliance with the Code of Corporate Governance for Public Companies issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission (“the SEC Code”), the revised Code of Corporate Governance for Banks and Discount Houses in Nigeria issued by the Central Bank of Nigeria (“the CBN Code”) in May 2014, the Financial Reporting Council’s National Code of Corporate Governance, 2018 (“the FRC Code”), as well as disclosure requirements under the Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA), United Kingdom, which are applicable to non-United Kingdom companies with Global Depository Receipts (GDRs) listed on the London Stock Exchange.

The Bank’s Code of Corporate Governance (“the Code”) is continuously reviewed to align with additional legal and regulatory requirements and global best practices, in order to remain a pace setter in the area of good corporate governance practices. In addition to the Code, the Bank aggressively promotes its core values to employees of the Bank through its Code of Professional Conduct; its Ethics Policy as well as Communications Policy, which regulate employee relations with internal and external parties. This is a strong indicator of the Bank’s determination to ensure that its employees remain professional at all times in their

business practices. The Bank also has an entrenched culture of openness in which healthy discourse is encouraged and employees are mandated to report improper activities.

The Bank complies with the requirements of the Central Bank of Nigeria (“CBN”) in respect of internal review of its compliance status with defined corporate governance practices and submits reports on the Bank’s compliance status to the CBN and the Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Bank also conducts an Annual Board and Directors’ Evaluation/Review/Appraisal covering all aspects of the Boards’ structure, composition, responsibilities, processes and relationships, in compliance with the requirement of the CBN Code. To conduct the Annual Board Appraisal for the financial year ended December 31, 2019, the Board engaged the consultancy firm of Ernst and Young LP. The independent consultants carried out a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of the Board by evaluating the performance of the Board, the Board Committees and Directors. The report of the Appraisal will be presented to Shareholders at the 30th Annual General Meeting of the Bank.

The Board Evaluation report for the financial year ended December 31, 2019, by the independent consultants to the Board revealed that the Bank was in substantial compliance with the provisions of the FRC Code.

During the 2019 financial year the Bank executed various governance initiatives/activities which included; the review of the Bank’s Corporate Governance Code and Charters of all the Board Committees to bring them at par with leading international practices and existing regulations in the Country. The Bank also put in place a Charter for the Board of Directors to delineate the responsibilities of the Board. The Board and its Committees also carried out annual self-assessment to evaluate compliance with the terms of reference as contained in their respective Charters.

We continue to serve customers, clients and communities; and create value for stakeholders. Entrenched in the fibre of the Bank is the culture of openness which promotes healthy discourse and encourages employees to report improper activities. The belief that success is only worth celebrating when achieved the right way through a process supported and sustained with the right values remains one of the Bank’s guiding principles. Our commitment to this principle is for us the key to keeping public trust and confidence in our Bank and the key to our continued long-term success.

Governance Structure

The Board

The Board of Directors is responsible for the governance of the Bank and is accountable to shareholders for creating and delivering sustainable value through the management of the Bank’s business.

The Board is committed to the highest standards of business integrity, ethical values and governance; it recognises the responsibility of the Bank to conduct its affairs with transparency, pru-

dence, fairness, accountability and social responsibility, thereby safeguarding the interests of all stakeholders.

The Board puts in place an appropriate level of checks and balances in order to ensure that decisions are taken with the best interest of the Bank's stakeholders in mind. Directors of the Bank possess the right balance of expertise, skills and experience, which translates to an effective Board and an Executive Management team capable of steering the affairs of the Bank in an ever changing and challenging environment. The Bank's robust appointment and effective succession planning framework is one way of ensuring that we continue to have the right people to drive the business of the Bank in the desired direction.

The Board determines the overall strategy of the Bank and follows up on its implementation, supervises the performance of the Bank and ensures adequate management, thus actively contributing to developing the Bank as a focused, sustainable and global brand.

The synergy between the Board and Management fosters interactive dialogue in setting broad policy guidelines in the management and direction of the Bank to enhance optimal performance and ensure that associated risks are properly managed. Furthermore, the Board plays a central role in conjunction with Management in ensuring that the Bank is financially strong, well governed and risks are identified and well mitigated.

In addition to the Board's direct oversight, the Board exercises its oversight responsibilities through six (6) Committees, namely, Board Risk Management, Board Credit, Board Human Resources and Nominations, Board Remuneration, Board Information Technology Strategy, and the Board Audit. In addition to the Board Committees, the Statutory Audit Committee of the Bank, which comprises equal numbers of representatives of the Board and Shareholders, also performs its statutory role as stipulated by the Companies and Allied Matters Act (2004).

Members of the Board of Directors are seasoned professionals, who have excelled in various sectors including banking, accounting, engineering, oil and gas, manufacturing as well as law. They possess the requisite integrity, skills and experience to bring to bear independent judgment on the deliberations of the Board and decisions of the Board (without prejudice to Directors' right to earn Directors' fees and hold interest in shares). They have a good understanding of the Bank's businesses and affairs to enable them properly evaluate information and responses provided by Management, and to provide objective challenge to management.

Directors are prepared to challenge each other's assumptions, beliefs or viewpoints as necessary for the good of the Bank and question intelligently, debate constructively and make decisions dispassionately.

Three (3) of the Non-Executive Directors are "Independent Directors", appointed based on the core values enshrined in the Bank's Code of Corporate Governance and the criteria laid down by the CBN for the appointment of Independent Directors. The Independent Directors do not have any significant shareholding interest or any special business relationship with the Bank.

The Board meets quarterly and additional meetings are convened as required. Material decisions may be taken between meetings by way of written resolutions, as provided for in the Articles of Association of the Bank. The Directors are provided with comprehensive group information at each of the quarterly Board meetings and are also briefed on business developments between Board meetings.

The Board met five (5) times during year ended December 31, 2019.

Responsibilities of the Board

The Board has ultimate responsibility for determining the strategic objectives and policies of the Bank to deliver long-term value by providing overall strategic direction within a framework of rewards, incentives and controls.

The Board has delegated the responsibility for day-to-day operations of the Bank to Management and ensures that Management strikes an appropriate balance between promoting long-term growth and delivering short-term objectives. In fulfilling its primary responsibility, the Board acknowledges the relationship between good governance and risk management practices, in relation to the achievement of the Bank's strategic objectives and good financial performance.

Notwithstanding the delegation of the operation of the Bank to Management, the Board reserved certain powers which include the approval of quarterly, half-yearly and full year financial statements (whether audited or unaudited) and any significant change in accounting policies and/or practices; approval of major changes to the Bank's corporate structure and changes relating to the Bank's capital structure or its status as a public limited company; the determination and approval of the strategic objectives and policies of the Bank to deliver long-term value; approval of the Bank's strategy, medium and short term plan and its annual operating and capital expenditure budget; appointment or removal of Company Secretary; recommendation to shareholders of the appointment or removal of auditors and the remuneration of Auditors; approval of resolutions and corresponding documentation for shareholders in general meeting(s), shareholders circulars, prospectus and principal regulatory filings with the Regulators.

Other powers reserved for the Board are the determination of Board structure, size and composition, including appointment and removal of Directors, succession planning for the Board and senior management and Board Committee membership; approval of mergers and acquisitions, branch expansion and establishment of subsidiaries; approval of remuneration policy and packages of the Managing Director and other Board members, appointment of the Managing Director and other Directors of subsidiaries nominated by the Bank; approval of the Board performance evaluation process, corporate governance framework and review of the performance of the Managing Director; approval of policy documents on significant issues including Enterprise-wide Risk Management, Human Resources, Credit, Corporate governance and Anti – Money laundering, and approval

of all matters of importance to the Bank as a whole because of their strategic, financial, risk or reputational implications or consequences.

Roles of Chairman and Chief Executive

The roles of the Chairman and Chief Executive are separate and no one individual combines the two positions. The Chairman's main responsibility is to lead and manage the Board to ensure that it operates effectively and fully discharges its legal and regulatory responsibilities. The Chairman is responsible for ensuring that Directors receive accurate, timely and clear information to enable the Board take informed decisions and provide advice to promote the success of the Bank. The Chairman also facilitates the contribution of Directors and promotes effective relationships and open communications between Executive and Non-Executive Directors, both inside and outside the Boardroom.

The Board has delegated the responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Bank to the Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer, who is supported by Executive Management. The Managing Director executes the powers delegated to him in accordance with guidelines approved by the Board of Directors. Executive Management is accountable to the Board for the development and implementation of strategies and policies. The Board regularly reviews group performance, matters of strategic concern and any other matter it regards as material.

Director Nomination Process

The Board Human Resources and Nominations Committee is charged with the responsibility of leading the process for Board appointments and for identifying and nominating suitable candidates for the approval of the Board.

With respect to new appointments, the Board Human Resources and Nominations Committee identifies, reviews and recommends candidates for potential appointment as Directors. In identifying suitable candidates, the Committee considers candidates on merit against objective criteria and with due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board, including gender as well as the balance and mix of appropriate skills and experience.

Shareholding in the Bank is not considered a criterion for the nomination or appointment of a Director. The appointment of Directors is subject to the approval of the shareholders and the Central Bank of Nigeria.

Induction and Continuous Training

Upon appointment to the Board and to Board Committees, all Directors receive an induction tailored to meet their individual requirements.

The induction, which is arranged by the Company Secretary, may include meetings with senior management staff and key external advisors, to assist Directors in acquiring a detailed understanding of the Bank's operations, its strategic plan, its business environ-

ment, the key issues the Bank faces, and to introduce Directors to their fiduciary duties and responsibilities.

The Bank attaches great importance to training its Directors and for this purpose, continuously offers training and education from onshore and offshore institutions to its Directors, in order to enhance their performance on the Board and the various committees to which they belong. The Bank's Non-Executive Directors attended foreign and/or local courses in the year ended December 31, 2019.

Changes on the Board

In the course of the financial year ended December 31, 2019, there was no change on the Board.

Retirement by Rotation

The provisions of Article 84(b) of the Articles of Association of the Bank provides that one third of the Directors (excluding Executive Directors) or if their number is not a multiple of three, the number nearest to but not greater than one third, should retire from office at each biennial Annual General Meeting. In view of the fact that we had two Directors retire by rotation at the 29th Annual General Meeting, in compliance with this section, no Director would be retiring by rotation at the 30th Annual General Meeting.

Non-Executive Directors' Remuneration

The Bank's policy on remuneration of Non-Executive Directors is guided by the provisions of the CBN Code and the Financial Reporting Council (FRC) Code, which stipulates that Non-Executive Directors' remuneration should be limited to sitting allowances, Directors' fees and reimbursable travel and hotel expenses.

Summary of remuneration paid to Executive and Non-Executive Directors is contained in Note 46 of this report.

Board Committees

The Board carries out its responsibilities through its Standing Committees, which have clearly defined terms of reference, setting out their roles, responsibilities, functions and scope of authority. The Board has six (6) Standing Committees in addition to the Statutory Audit Committee of the Bank, namely; Board Risk Management Committee, Board Credit Committee, Board Human Resources and Nominations Committee, Board Remuneration Committee, Board Information Technology Strategy Committee and Board Audit Committee. Through these Committees, the Board is able to effectively carry out its oversight responsibilities and take advantage of individual expertise to formulate strategies for the Bank. The Committees make recommendations to the Board, which retains responsibility for final decision making.

All Committees in the exercise of their powers so delegat-

ed conform to the regulations laid down by the Board, with well-defined terms of reference contained in the Charter of each Committee. The Committees render reports to the Board at the Board's quarterly meetings.

A summary of the roles, responsibilities, composition and frequency of meetings of each of the Committees are as stated hereunder:

Board Risk Management Committee

This Committee is tasked with the responsibility of setting and reviewing the Bank's risk policies. The coverage of supervision includes the following: Credit Risk, Reputational Risk, Operations Risk, Technology Risk, Market Risk, Liquidity Risk and other pervasive risks as may be posed by the events in the industry at any point in time.

The Terms of Reference of the Board Risk Management Committee include:

- To review and recommend for the approval of the Board, the Bank's Risk Management Policies including the risk profile and limits;
- To determine the adequacy and effectiveness of the Bank's risk detection and measurement systems and controls;
- To evaluate the Group's internal control and assurance

framework annually, in order to satisfy itself on the design and completeness of the framework relative to the activities and risk profile of the Bank and its subsidiaries;

- To oversee Management's process for the identification of significant risks across the Bank and the adequacy of risk mitigation, prevention, detection and reporting mechanisms;
- To review and recommend to the Board for approval, the contingency plan for specific risks;
- To review the Bank's compliance level with applicable laws and regulatory requirements which may impact on the Bank's risk profile;
- To conduct periodic review of changes in the economic and business environment, including emerging trends and other factors relevant to the Bank's risk profile;
- To handle any other issue referred to the Committee from time to time by the Board.

The Chief Risk Officer of the Bank presents regular briefings to the Committee at its meetings.

The Committee meets quarterly and additional meetings are convened as required. The Committee met four (4) times during the financial year ended December 31, 2019.

The Board Risk Management Committee comprised the following members during the year under review:

S/No	Name	Status	Designation	Dates of Attendance
1.	Mr. H. A. Oyinlola	Non-Executive Director	Chairman	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019
2.	Mr. J. K. O. Agbaje	Managing Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019
3.	Ms. I. L. Akpofure	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019
4.	Mr. B. T. Soyoye	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019
5.	Mrs. V. O. Adefala	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019
6.	Mr. A. A. Odeyemi	Executive Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019
7.	Mrs. M. C. Olusanya	Executive Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019

Board Credit Committee

This Committee is responsible for approval of credit facilities in the Bank. The Terms of Reference of the Board Credit Committee include:

- To consider and approve specific loans above the Management Credit Committee's authority limit, as determined by the Board from time to time;
- To review Management Credit Committee's authority level as and when deemed necessary and recommend new levels to the Board for consideration;
- To conduct quarterly review of credits granted by the Bank to ensure compliance with the Bank's internal control systems and credit approval procedures;
- To notify all Director related loans to the Board;
- To monitor and notify the top debtors to the attention of the Board;
- To review the Bank's internal control procedures in relation to credit risk assets and ensure that they are sufficient to safeguard the quality of the Bank's risk assets;

- To review the Asset and Liability Management of the Bank;
- To ensure that the Bank complies with regulatory requirements regarding the grant of credit facilities;
- To handle any other issue referred to the Committee from time to time by the Board.

In view of the volume of transactions that require Board Credit Committee approvals, there are instances where the need arises for credits to be approved by members expeditiously between Board Credit Committee Meetings. Such urgent credits are circulated amongst the members for consideration and approval in line with a defined procedure that ensures that all members of the Committee are furnished with full information on such credits. All credits considered as "Large Exposures" as defined by the Board of Directors from time to time are considered and approved by the Board Credit Committee at a special meeting convened for that purpose.

The Board Credit Committee meets at least once in each quarter. However, additional meetings are convened as required. The Committee met Five (5) times during the financial year ended December 31, 2019.

The Board Credit Committee is made up of the following members:

S/No	Name	Status	Designation	Dates of Attendance
1	Mr. O. M. Augusto	Non-Executive Director	Chairman	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019
2	Mr. K. A. Adeola	Non-Executive Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019
3	Mr. I. Hassan	Non-Executive Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019
4	Mrs. V.O. Adefala	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019
5	Mr. H. Musa	Executive Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019
6	Mr. J. M. Lawal	Executive Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019
7	Mr. B. G. Okuntola	Executive Director	Member	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019

Board Human Resources and Nominations Committee

This Committee is responsible for the approval of human resource matters, identification and nomination of candidates for appointment to the Board and Board governance issues such as annual evaluation of the performance of the Managing Director and the Board,

induction and continuous education, approval of promotion of top management staff, corporate governance, succession planning, conflict of interest situations and compliance with legal and regulatory provisions.

The Committee is also responsible for the oversight of strategic people issues, including employee retention, equality and diversity as well as other significant employee relations matters.

The membership of the Committee is as follows:

S/No	Name	Status	Designation	Dates of Attendance
1	Mr. I. Hassan	Non-Executive Director	Chairman	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
2	Mr. J.K.O. Agbaje	Managing Director	Member	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
3	Mr. H.A. Oyinlola	Non-Executive Director	Member	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
4	Ms. I. L. Akpofure ¹	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019
5	Mr. B. T. Soyoye	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	28-Jan-2019
6	Mrs. M. C. Olusanya	Executive Director	Member	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019

¹Stepped down from the Committee at the Board Meeting which held in April 2019

The Committee is required to meet at least once a year, and additional meetings may be convened as the need arises. The Committee met four times during the financial year ended December 31, 2019.

across the Bank, determining the policy of the Bank on the remuneration of the Managing Director and other Executive Directors and the specific remuneration packages and to approve the policy relating to all remuneration schemes and long-term incentives for employees of the Bank,

Board Remuneration Committee

The Board Remuneration Committee has the responsibility of setting the principles and parameters of Remuneration Policy

The Board Remuneration Committee is made up of the following members:

S/No	Name	Status	Designation	Dates of Attendance
1	Mr. O. M. Agosto	Non-Executive Director	Chairman	30-Jan-2019
2	Mr. K.A Adeola	Non-Executive Director	Member	30-Jan-2019
3	Mrs. V.O. Adefala ¹	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	N/A

¹ Appointed as a member of the Committee at the Board Meeting held on January 30, 2019

The Committee is required to meet at least once a year, and additional meetings may be convened as the need arises. The Committee met once during the year.

Board Information Technology Strategy Committee

The Board Information Technology Strategy Committee is responsible for the provision of strategic guidance to Management on Information Technology issues and monitoring the effectiveness and efficiency of Information Technology within the Bank and the adequacy of controls.

The Terms of Reference of the Board Information Technology Strategy Committee include:

- To provide advice on the strategic direction of Information Technology issues in the Bank;
- To inform and advise the Board on important Information Technology issues in the Bank;
- To monitor overall Information Technology performance and practices in the Bank.

The Board Information Technology Strategy Committee comprised the following members during the year under review:

S/No	Name	Status	Designation	Dates of Attendance
1	Mr K. A. Adeola	Non-Executive Director	Chairman	15-Apr-2019 28-Oct-2019
2	Mr J. K. O. Agbaje	Non-Executive Director	Member	15-Apr-2019 28-Oct-2019
3	Mr. H.A. Oyinlola	Non-Executive Director	Member	15-Apr-2019 28-Oct-2019
4	Ms. I. L. Akpofure	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	15-Apr-2019 28-Oct-2019
5	Mr A. A. Odeyemi	Executive Director	Member	15-Apr-2019 28-Oct-2019
6	Mr. H. Musa	Executive Director	Member	15-Apr-2019 28-Oct-2019
7	Mr. J. M. Lawal	Executive Director	Member	15-Apr-2019 28-Oct-2019

The Committee is required to hold its Meetings twice in a year. The Committee met two (2) times in the financial year ended December 31, 2019.

Board Audit Committee

The Board Audit Committee is responsible for oversight of audit functions, without prejudice to the statutory Audit Committee established in compliance with CAMA, which is not considered a board committee.

The Terms of Reference of the Board Audit Committee include:

- To keep the effectiveness of the Bank's system of accounting, reporting and internal control under review and to ensure compliance with legal and agreed ethical requirements;
- To review the activities, findings, conclusions and recommendations of the external auditors relating to the Bank's annual audited financial statements;
- To review the Management Letter of the External Auditor and Management's response thereto;
- To review the appropriateness and completeness of the Bank's statutory accounts and its other published financial statements;
- To oversee the independence of the external auditors;
- To receive a summary of whistle blowing cases reported and the result of the investigation from the Head of Internal Audit;
- To ensure that the Bank's Investment Valuation Policy is updated to take into account changes in International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued and/or amended from time to time by the International Accounting Standards Board and/or in valuation techniques as recommended by the European Venture Capital Association and best practices.

The Board Audit Committee comprised the following members during the year under review:

S/No	Name	Status	Designation	Dates of Attendance
1	Ms. I. L. Akpofure	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Chairman	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
2	Mr. O. M. Agosto	Non-Executive Director	Member	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
3	Mr. I. Hassan	Non-Executive Director	Member	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019

The Committee is required to hold its Meetings once every quarter. The Committee met four (4) times during the year under review.

Statutory Audit Committee of the Bank

This Committee is responsible for ensuring that the Bank complies with all the relevant policies and procedures both from the regulators and as laid-down by the Board of Directors. Its major functions include the approval of the annual audit plan of the internal auditors, review and approval of the audit scope and plan of the external auditors, review of the audit report on internal weaknesses observed by both the internal and external auditors during their respective examinations and to ascertain whether the accounting and reporting policies of the Bank are in accordance with legal requirements and agreed ethical practices.

The Committee also reviews the Bank's annual and interim financial statements, particularly the effectiveness of the Bank's disclosure controls and systems of internal control as well as areas of judgment involved in the compilation of the Bank's results. The Committee is responsible for the review of the integrity of the Bank's financial reporting and oversees the independence and objectivity of the external auditors, review and ensure that adequate whistle blowing procedures are in place and that a summary of issues reported are highlighted to the Committee and review the independence of the external auditors and ensure that where non-audit services are provided by the external

auditors and there is no conflict of interest. The Committee has access to external auditors to seek explanations and additional information, while the internal and external auditors have unrestricted access to the Committee, which ensures that their independence is in no way impaired.

The Committee is made up of three (3) Non-Executive Directors and three (3) Shareholders of the Bank appointed at Annual General Meetings. The membership of the Committee at the Board level is based on relevant experience of the Board members, while one of the shareholders serves as the Chairman of the Committee.

The internal and external auditors are invited from time to time to attend the Meetings of the Committee. The Chief Financial Officer and appropriate members of Management also attend the meetings upon invitation. The Committee is required to meet quarterly and additional meetings may be convened as the need arises.

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The Statutory Audit Committee of the Bank met four (4) times during the year. The following members served on the Committee during the year ended December 31 2019:

S/No	Name	Status	Designation	Attendance	Dates of Attendance
1	Mrs. S. O. J. Mbagwu-Fagbemi ¹	Shareholders' Representative	Chairman	4	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
2	Alhaji M. O. Usman ²	Shareholders' Representative	Member	4	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
3	Mrs. A. Kuye	Shareholders' Representative	Member	4	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
4	Mr. I. Hassan	Non-Executive Director	Member	4	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
5	Mr. O. M. Agosto	Non-Executive Director	Member	4	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
6	Ms. I. L. Akpofure	Non-Executive (Independent) Director	Member	4	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019

¹ Appointed as the Chairman of the Committee at the Meeting which held in July, 2019

² Stepped down from the chairmanship position in July 2019, however remains a member of the Committee

Attendance of Board and Board Committee Meetings

The table below shows the frequency of meetings of the Board of Directors and Board Committees, as well as Members' attendance for the year ended December 31, 2019.

S/N	Directors	Board	Board Credit Committee	Board Risk Management Committee	Board Human Resources & Nomination Committee	Board Remuneration Committee	Board I.T. Strategy	Board Audit Committee
	Date of Meetings	30-Jan-2019 17-Apr-2019 24-July-2019 30-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019 13-Nov-2019	29-Jan-2019 16-Apr-2019 23-July-2019 29-Oct-2019	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019	30-Jan-2019	15-Apr-2019 28-Oct-2019	28-Jan-2019 15-Apr-2019 22-July-2019 28-Oct-2019
	Number of Meetings	5	5	4	4	1	2	4
1	Mrs. O. A. Demuren ¹	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	Mr. J. K. O Agbaje	5	N/A	4	4	N/A	2	N/A
3	Mr. O. M. Agosto	5	5	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	4
4	Mr. K. A. Adeola	5	5	N/A	N/A	1	2	N/A
5	Mr. I. Hassan	5	5	N/A	4	N/A	N/A	4
6	Mr. H. A. Oyinlola	5	N/A	4	4	N/A	2	N/A
7	Ms. I. Akpofure ²	5	N/A	4	2	N/A	2	4
8	Mr. B. T. Soyoye	4	N/A	4	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
9	Mrs. V. O. Adefala ³	5	5	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
10	Mr. A. A. Odeyemi	5	N/A	4	N/A	N/A	2	N/A
11	Mr. H. Musa	5	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	N/A
12	Mr. J. M. Lawal	5	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	N/A
13	Mrs. M. C. Olusanya	5	N/A	4	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
14	Mr. B. G. Okuntola	5	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

¹ The Chairman is not a member of any Committee in compliance with the CBN Code which prohibits the chairman of the Board from being a member of any Committee;

² Stepped down from the Board Human Resources and Nominations Committee at the Board Meeting held on April 17, 2019

³ Appointed to the Board Remuneration Committee at the Board Meeting held on January 30, 2019

N/A -Not Applicable

Tenure of Directors

In order to ensure both continuity and injection of fresh ideas, the tenure for Non-Executive Directors is limited to a maximum of three (3) terms of four (4) years each, i.e. twelve (12) years whilst the maximum tenure for Independent Non-Executive Directors is limited to a maximum of two (2) terms of four (4) years each, i.e. eight (8) years.

This is in compliance with the directives of the CBN Code.

Board Appraisal

In the Bank's customary manner of imbibing the best corporate governance practices, the Board engaged an Independent Consultant, Ernst and Young LP, to carry out the annual Board and Directors appraisal for the 2019 financial year. The annual appraisal covered all aspects of the Board's structure, composition, responsibilities, processes, relationships, individual members' competencies and respective roles in the Board performance, as well as the Bank's compliance status with the provisions of the CBN and SEC Codes.

The Annual Board and Director Review/Appraisal Report for the 2019 financial year will be presented to shareholders at the 30th Annual General Meeting of the Bank.

Shareholders

The General Meeting of the Bank is the highest decision-making body of the Bank. The Bank's General Meetings are conducted in a transparent and fair manner. Shareholders have the opportunity to express their opinions on the Bank's financial results and other issues affecting the Bank. The Annual General Meetings are attended by representatives of regulators such as the Central Bank of Nigeria, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Nigerian Stock Exchange, the Corporate Affairs Commission as well as representatives of Shareholders' Associations.

The Bank has an Investors Relations Unit, which deals directly with enquiries from shareholders and ensures that Shareholders' views are escalated to Management and the Board. In addition, quarterly, half-yearly and annual financial results are published in widely read national newspapers.

The Bank ensures that institutional investors and international holders of the Global Depositary Receipts get frequent updates on the Bank's progress via interactive conference calls, local and international investor presentations and meetings. These conference calls and investor meetings provide our investors with direct access to senior and executive Management.

Protection of Shareholders' Rights

The Board ensures the protection of the statutory and general rights of shareholders at all times, particularly their right to vote at general meetings. All shareholders are treated equally, regardless of volume of shareholding or social status.

Communication Policy

The Board and Management of the Bank ensure that communication and dissemination of information regarding the operations and management of the Bank to shareholders, stakeholders and the public is timely, accurate and continuous, to give a balanced and fair view of the Bank's financial and non-financial matters. Such information, which is in plain language, readable and understandable, is available on the Bank's website, <http://www.gtbank.com>. The website is constantly updated with information as events occur.

The website also has an Investors Relations portal where the Bank's financial Reports and other relevant information about the Bank is published and made accessible to its shareholders, stakeholders and the public.

The main objective of the Bank's Communication Policy is to support the Bank in achieving the overall goals described in the Bank's core values which strengthens the Bank's culture of transparency in pursuit of best corporate governance practices.

In order to reach its overall goal on information dissemination, the Bank is guided by the following principles:

- (i) Compliance with Rules and Regulations: The Bank complies with the legislation and codes of corporate governance of the jurisdictions within which it operates. These include the Banks and other Financial Institutions Act (BOFIA), the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) and the codes of Corporate Governance issued by the Central Bank of Nigeria as well as the Securities and Exchange Commission, Financial Reporting Council, the United Kingdom Listing Authority ("UKLA") (by virtue of the listing of Global Depositary Receipts by the Bank on The London Stock Exchange in July 2007);
- (ii) Efficiency: The Bank uses modern communication technologies in a timely manner to convey its messages to its target groups. Synergies are sought when it comes to using different communication channels. The Bank replies without unnecessary delay to information requests by the media and the public;
- (iii) Transparency: As an international financial institution, the Bank strives in its communication to be as transparent and open as possible while considering the concept of confidentiality between the Bank and its customers, and bank secrecy. This contributes to maintaining a high level of accountability;

- (iv) Pro-activity: The Bank proactively develops contacts with its target groups and identifies topics of possible mutual interest;
- (v) Clarity: The Bank aims at clarity, i.e. to send uniform and clear messages on key issues;
- (vi) Cultural awareness: As an international financial institution, the Bank operates in a multicultural environment and accordingly recognizes the need to be sensitive to the cultural peculiarities of its operating environment;
- (vii) Feedback: The Bank actively and regularly seeks feedback on its image and communication activities both from the media as well as from its key target groups. This feedback is used to fine-tune communication activities.

Information Flow

It is the responsibility of Executive Management under the direction of the Board, to ensure that the Board receives adequate information on a timely basis, about the Bank's businesses and operations at appropriate intervals and in an appropriate manner, to enable the Board to carry out its responsibilities.

The Company Secretary

The Company Secretary provides a point of reference and support for all Directors. The Company Secretary also consults regularly with Directors to ensure that they receive required information promptly. The Board may obtain information from external sources, such as consultants and other advisers, if there is a need for outside expertise, via the Company Secretary or directly.

The Company Secretary is also responsible for assisting the Board and Management in the implementation of the Code of Corporate Governance of the Bank, coordinating the orientation and training of new Directors and the continuous education of Non-Executive Directors; assisting the Chairman and Managing Director to formulate an annual Board Plan and with the administration of other strategic issues at the Board level; organizing Board meetings and ensuring that the minutes of Board meetings clearly and properly capture Board discussions and decisions.

Independent professional advice is available, on request, to all Directors at the Bank's expense when such advice is required to enable a Member of the Board effectively perform certain responsibilities.

The Bank meets the costs of independent professional advice obtained jointly or severally by a Director or Directors where such advice is necessary to enable the obligations imposed on an individual, through membership of the Board, to be properly fulfilled.

Insider Trading and price sensitive information

The Bank has in place a policy regarding trading in its shares by its Directors and employees on the terms and conditions similar to the standards set out by the Nigerian Stock Exchange. The policy is periodically circulated on the Bank's internal communication network ("Intranet") to serve as a reminder to staff of their obligations thereunder.

Directors, insiders and their related persons in possession of confidential price sensitive information ("insider information") are prohibited from dealing with the securities of the Bank where such would amount to insider trading. Directors, insiders and related parties are prohibited from disposing, selling, buying or transferring their shares in the Bank for a "lock up" period commencing from the date of receipt of such insider information until such a period when the information is released to the public or any other period as defined by the Bank from time to time.

In addition to the above, the Bank makes necessary disclosure as required under Rule 111 of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Rules and Regulations which stipulates that Directors and top Management employees and other insiders of public companies shall notify the SEC of any sale or purchase of shares in the company, not later than forty-eight (48) hours after such activity.

The Directors of the Bank comply strictly with the laid down procedure and policy regarding trading in the Bank's shares.

Management Committees

These are Committees comprising senior management staff of the Bank. The Committees are risk driven as they are basically set up to identify, analyze, synthesize and make recommendations on risks arising from day to day activities of the Bank. They also ensure that risk limits as contained in the Board and Regulatory policies are complied with at all times. They provide inputs for the respective Board Committees and also ensure that recommendations of the Board Committees are effectively and efficiently implemented. They meet as frequently as necessary to immediately take action and decisions within the confines of their powers.

The standing Management Committees in the Bank are:

- Management Risk Committee;
- Management Credit Committee;
- Criticized Assets Committee;
- Assets and Liability Management Committee;
- Information Technology (IT) Steering Committee;
- Information Technology (IT) Risk Management Committee

Management Risk Committee

This Committee is responsible for regular analysis and consideration of risks in the Bank. The Committee meets from time to time and at least quarterly. However, additional meetings may be held if required. The Committee reviews and analyses environmental issues and policies impacting either directly or remotely on the Bank, brainstorms on such issues and recommends steps to be taken by the Bank. The Committee's approach is risk based.

The Committee provides inputs for the Board Risk Management Committee and also ensures that the decisions and policies emanating from the Committee's meetings are implemented.

The mandate of the Committee includes;

- The review of the effectiveness of GTBank's overall risk management strategy at the enterprise level;
- The follow-up on management action plans based on the status of implementation compiled by the Management Risk Committee;
- The identification and evaluation of new strategic risks including corporate matters involving regulatory, business development issues, etc., and the suitability of mitigants;
- The review of the enterprise risk scorecard and determination of the risks to be escalated to the Board on a quarterly basis.

Management Credit Committee

This is the Committee responsible for ensuring that the Bank complies fully with the Credit Policy Guide as laid down by the Board of Directors. The Committee also provides inputs for the Board Credit Committee. This Committee reviews and approves credit facilities to individual obligors not exceeding an aggregate sum to be determined by the Board from time to time. The Management Credit Committee is responsible for reviewing and approving all credits that are above the approval limit of the Managing Director as determined by the Board. The Committee reviews the entire credit portfolio of the Bank and conducts periodic assessment of the quality of risk assets in the Bank. It also ensures that adequate monitoring of credits is carried out. The Committee meets weekly depending on the number of credit applications to be considered.

The secretary of the Committee is the Head of the Credit Administration Unit of the Bank.

Criticized Assets Committee

This Committee is responsible for the assessment of the risk asset portfolio of the Bank. It highlights the status of the Bank's assets in line with the internal and external regulatory framework and directs appropriate actions in respect of delinquent assets. The Committee ensures that adequate provisions are taken in

line with the regulatory guidelines.

Assets and Liability Management Committee

This Committee is responsible for the management of a variety of risks arising from the Bank's business including, market and liquidity risk management, loan to deposit ratio analysis, cost of funds analysis, establishing guidelines for pricing on deposit and credit facilities, exchange rate risks analysis, balance sheet structuring, regulatory considerations and monitoring of the status of implemented assets and liability strategies. The members of the Committee include the Managing Director, Executive Directors, the Treasurer, the Head of the Financial Control Group, the Chief Risk Officer as well as a representative of the Assets and Liability Management Unit.

Information Technology (IT) Steering Committee

The Committee is responsible for assisting Management with the implementation of IT strategy approved by the Board. The roles and responsibilities of the Committee include:

1. Planning, Budgeting and Monitoring

- Review and approval of the Bank's IT plan and budget (short and long term).
- Review IT performance against plans and budgets, and recommend changes, as required.
- Review, prioritization and approve IT investment initiatives.
- Establishment of a balance in approval of overall IT investment portfolio in terms of risk, return and strategy.

2. Ensuring Operational Excellence

- Making recommendations to Management on strategies for new technology and systems.
- Review and approval of changes to IT structure, key accountabilities, and practices.
- Ensuring project priorities and success measures are clearly defined, and effectively monitored.
- Conducting a review of exceptions and projects on selected basis.
- Performing service catalogue reviews for continued strategic relevance.
- Review and approval of current and future technology architecture for the Bank.

- Monitoring service levels, improvements and IT service delivery.
- Assessing and improving the Bank's overall IT competitiveness.

3. IT Risk Assurance

- Review and approve governance, risk and control framework.
- Monitoring compliance with defined standards and agreed performance metrics.
- Ensuring that vulnerability assessments of new technology are performed.
- Reviewing and ensuring the effectiveness of the IT Risk Management and Security plan.
- Ensuring the effectiveness of disaster recovery plans and review reports on periodic disaster recovery testing.
- Reviewing key IT risk and security issues relevant to the Bank's IT processes / systems.
- Ensuring that the Bank complies with relevant laws and regulations.

Information Technology (IT) Risk Management Committee

The Information Technology Risk Management Committee is responsible for establishing standardised IT risk management practices and ensuring compliance, for institutionalising IT risk management in the Bank's operations at all levels; and identifying and implementing cost effective solutions for IT risk mitigation. The Committee is also responsible for the continuous development of IT risk management expertise and ensuring that a proactive risk management approach is adopted throughout the Bank to drive competitive advantage.

Monitoring Compliance with Corporate Governance

Chief Compliance Officer

The Chief Compliance Officer monitors compliance with money laundering requirements and the implementation of the Corporate Governance Code of the Bank.

The Company Secretary and the Chief Compliance Officer forward regular returns to the Central Bank of Nigeria on all whistle-blowing reports and corporate governance breaches.

Whistle Blowing procedures

In line with the Bank's commitment to instill the best corporate governance practices, the Bank has established a whistle blow-

ing procedure that ensures anonymity for whistle-blowers. The Bank has two (2) hotlines and a direct link in the Bank's website provided for the purpose of whistle-blowing. The hotline numbers are 01-4480905 and 01- 4480906, and the Bank's website is www.gtbank.com.

Internally, the Bank has a direct link on its Intranet for dissemination of information, to enable members of staff report all identified breaches of the Bank's Code of Corporate Governance.

Code of Conduct

The Bank has an internal Code of Professional Conduct for Employees "the Bank's Code" which all members of staff subscribe to upon assumption of duties. Staff are also required to reaffirm their commitment to the Bank's Code annually.

All members of staff are expected to strive to maintain the highest standards of ethical conduct and integrity in all aspects of their professional life as contained in the Code of Professional Conduct which prescribes the common ethical standards, policies and procedures of the Bank relating to employee values. The Bank also has a Code of Conduct for Directors.

Human Resources Policy

The Human Resources policy of the Bank is contained in the Directors' Report on page 66 of this Annual Report.

Employee Share-ownership Scheme

The Bank has in place an employee share ownership scheme called the Staff Investment Trust (SIT) scheme. Under the Bank's Articles of Association, the Scheme is authorized to hold up to a specified percentage of ordinary shares of the Bank for the benefit of eligible employees of the Bank.

The scheme was established for the benefit of the Bank's staff as an incentive mechanism, by enabling eligible staff invest in ordinary shares of the Bank at a discount (the prevailing Net Assets Value (NAV), and buying-back their stock from the Bank at the market price, subject to attaining a determined length of service at the point of disengagement from the Bank and proper conduct at disengagement.

Internal Management Structure

The Bank operates an internal management structure where all officers are accountable for duties and responsibilities attached to their respective offices and there are clearly defined and acceptable lines of authority and responsibility.



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Subsidiary governance

Subsidiary governance is an integral part of our bank's risk management framework that provides the structure through which the performance objectives of the subsidiaries are defined, measured and performance monitoring is conducted.

GTBank's governance strategy is implemented through the establishment of robust systems and processes – that ensure our subsidiaries reflect same values, ethics, processes and control as the parent company, while remaining independent in the conduct of their business and abiding within the confines of local extant regulations.

As at December 31, 2019, the Group had eight (8) international banking subsidiaries and two (2) sub-subsidiaries. The operations and management of these subsidiaries are monitored and controlled by GTBank Plc as described below:

Oversight function

The International Banking Directorate is responsible for the coordination and implementation of the Bank's international expansion strategy. It plays a pivotal role in driving and monitoring the performance of existing subsidiaries. In this respect, it performs an advisory role to the subsidiaries' senior management and serves as an interface between the parent and its subsidiaries, while ensuring synergies between them.

Subsidiary Board Representation

GTBank Plc has controlling representation on the Board of each subsidiary. The Board representatives are seasoned professionals with high level of integrity and proven track records in their respective fields. The Subsidiaries' Board of Directors are responsible for the governance of the Bank and accountable for creating and delivering sustainable value through the management of the Subsidiaries.

Subsidiary Board Committees

The Subsidiaries' Board also exercises its oversight responsibilities through four major committees as follows:

- Board Audit Committee (BAC) reviews accounting policies, practices, procedures and controls established by management for compliance with regulatory and financial reporting requirements.
- Board Risk Management Committee (BRC) oversees and advises the Board on risk-related matters and risk governance.
- Board Credit Committee (BCC) exercises its responsibility to maintain a healthy risk portfolio for the bank, by performing the control actions of approving new credit facilities or ex-

tending existing credit facilities within a proposed aggregate exposure limit defined by the Board of Directors.

- Board Asset and Liability Committee (BALC) oversees a variety of risks arising from the Subsidiaries' business including market and liquidity risk management, loan to deposit ratio analysis, cost of funds analysis, establishing guidelines for pricing on deposit and credit facilities, exchange rate risks analysis, balance sheet structuring, regulatory considerations and monitoring of the status of implemented assets and liability strategies.

Furthermore, the Subsidiary Boards and their respective Committees are responsible for creating, evaluating and managing the subsidiaries throughout their lifecycles while promoting best practice corporate governance standards.

Each of these Board Committees meet at least once per quarter to review the affairs of the bank.



Representation on the Local Board and Board Committees

A minimum of two Non-executive directors representing GTBank Plc sit on the board/board committees of the subsidiaries. The Board Committees are responsible for defining capital structure, approving appropriate risk management policies necessary for the effective management of subsidiaries, providing advisory and strategic guidance on the direction of the bank as well as suitable technology required to effectively dominate the local markets.

Management of Subsidiaries

The bank appoints one of its Management staff to run the subsidiary. This is achieved by appointing a staff from the parent company to act as the Managing Director of the subsidiary. In

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In addition, another management staff is seconded to act as a backup to the Managing Director and Head of Support and Operations Divisions within the bank.

The objective is to ensure enculturation, adoption and continuity of GTBank Plc values in the subsidiary. It is also to ensure that the tried and tested approach to corporate governance, systems and controls, innovation and technology, credit approval and management processes likewise customer service excellence is applied in a seamless manner.

Existence of Group Co-ordination Unit

The business activities and performance of GTBank Subsidiaries are monitored through the Group Co-ordination unit of the International Banking Directorate of GTBank Plc. The Unit is saddled with the responsibility of monitoring the subsidiaries, providing necessary support and addressing issues arising from their activities. The unit also prepares monthly reports on the performance of the subsidiaries and bi-annual risk management reports to the Board of Directors of the bank. The performance of the unit is assessed based on the extent to which the subsidiaries are effectively monitored and attended to.

Monthly Management Reporting

Subsidiaries furnish International Banking Directorate with reports on their business activities and operating environment monthly. The reports cover the subsidiaries' financial performance, risk assessment, regulatory activities among others.

Business Performance Review Session

The Managing Directors of the respective GTBank Subsidiaries attend the quarterly Group Business Performance Review sessions during which their performance is analyzed and recommendations made towards achieving continuous stability and improved profitability. This session also serves as a platform for sharing and dissemination of best practices and information among the subsidiaries' executives.

Annual System and Control Audit

An annual audit is carried out by the system and control group of GTBank Plc to review all operational areas of the offshore banks. This exercise is distinct from the daily operations audit carried out by the respective Internal Audit units within the subsidiaries.

Annual Risk Management Audit

This audit is carried out by the Credit Administration unit in GTBank Plc. The areas of concentration during this audit include asset quality, loan performance, review of security pledged, loan

conformity with credit policy, documentation check and review of central liability report among others.

Group Compliance Function

To ensure an effective and consistent compliance culture across all entities, the Group Compliance team determines the scope of parental oversight required to manage compliance risk, promote awareness and implement industry best practices across our subsidiaries, thereby affirming the group's commitment to a zero tolerance for regulatory breach.

Group Treasury Function

The Group Treasury function is responsible for providing required guidance in optimizing the deployment of resources in the subsidiaries except GTBank UK. The key focus is efficiency of the Balance Sheet. Monthly Assets and Liabilities review meetings are held with the Group treasury team to create synergies and facilitate transfer of knowledge, skills and competencies. The report is presented to the Board Assets and Liabilities or Risk Committee where applicable.

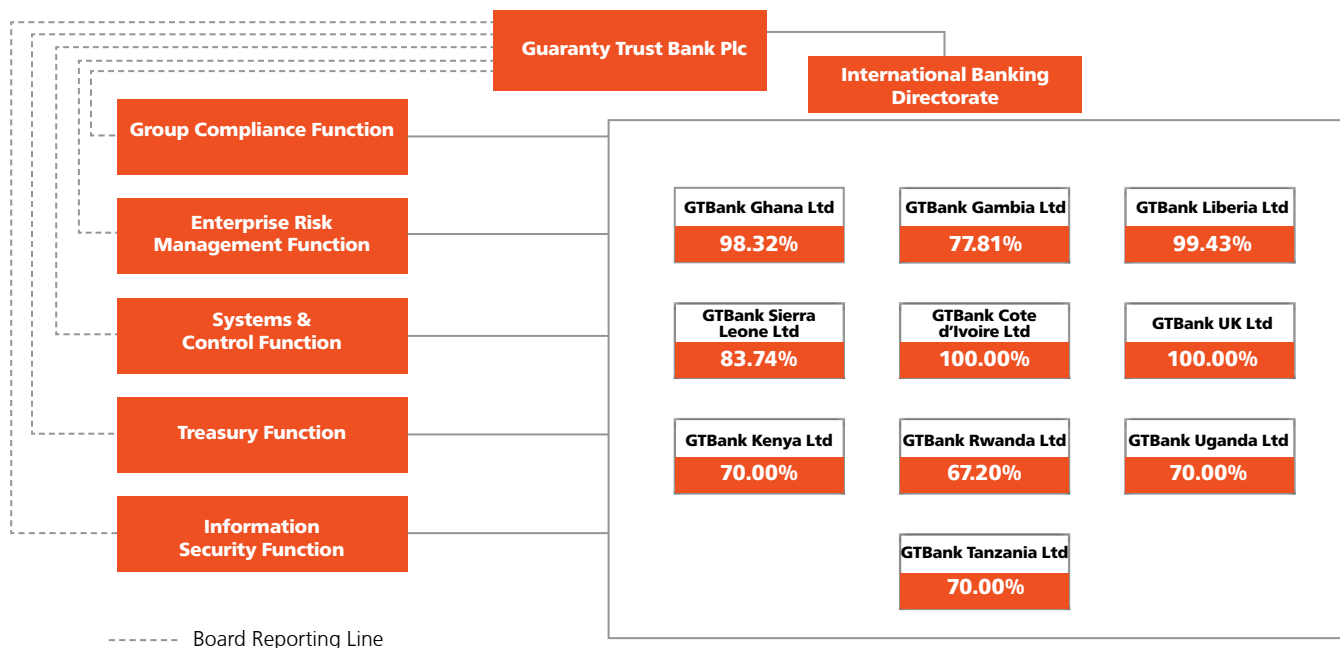
Group Information Security Assurance

The Group Information Security team is responsible for rendering requisite guidance to subsidiaries on the security of their information assets and infrastructure. They conduct regular off-site and on site reviews of the adequacy of the existing information security infrastructures in all the Subsidiaries. They also guide the subsidiaries on all cybersecurity related issues.

External Auditors' Report

GTBank Plc conducts a review of the management letters provided by the subsidiaries' auditors on completion of periodic audits. The objective is to ensure that all identified deficiencies are promptly corrected and recommendations implemented in line with approved best practices and local regulatory guidelines.

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SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

Introduction

At Guaranty Trust Bank, we are aware that a strong Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) proposition can safeguard our long-term success. As such, we are committed to getting our ESG proposition right in addition to the provision of economic value. This is with a view to creating higher values in our business operation and activities. As part of our commitment, we have fully incorporated environmental and social standards into our business operations and activities. This is in line with the requirements of IFC Performance Standards and CBN's Nigerian Sustainable Banking Principles (NSBP).

We have integrated sustainability strategies into our business model based on our awareness of the link between strong financial performance and sustainability. We have reviewed and updated the tools in which we manage our financial, social and environmental risks. We continue to improve our Environmental & Social (E&S) processes to align with international best practice. As an innovative and sustainable bank, we are constantly devising ways of doing things better. We learn from our past experience and use our experience as a leverage to do things better.

At GTBank, we support the government efforts at achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through our investments in critical sectors, our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and product development initiatives. We remain committed to achieving the SDGs of the United Nations (UN) through the creation of avenue for our communities and stakeholders to thrive. We have continuously led across all key economic parameters in the banking sector and have built a great brand in Africa.

We remain committed to the promotion of sustainable finance and meeting up with international standards. We are a member of the United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiatives (UNEP-FI) and an organisational stakeholder for Global Reporting Initiative (GRI). Also, as a signatory to the Nigerian Sustainable Banking Principles (NSBP) of Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), we consistently meet all the required environmental and social standards and ensure regular reporting of our sustainability journey.

This 2019 Sustainability Report is a reflection of our journey over the last one year and it highlights various initiatives targeted at ensuring that we remain socially, environmentally and financially responsible. The scope of our report covers the Marketplace, Community, Environment, Workplace as well as our scorecard in the implementation of the Central Bank of Nigeria's Sustainable Banking Principles and the UN SDGs.

Market Place

At GTBank, we continue to advance economic growth and sustainable development through our lending to the critical sectors of the economy such as Manufacturing, Agriculture, Real Estate, Power and Oil & Gas. We help support the government efforts in achieving its diversification target through our active funding

and investments in critical sectors. The bank has also actively involved itself in disbursing various intervention fund offered by CBN towards growing some selected sectors in Nigeria.

The integration of Environmental & Social Risk Management (ESRM) framework into our credit approval process has helped us to mitigate and prevent adverse E&S issues that may emanate from our borrowing customers. In 2019, we screened all the 886 corporate credits approved by the Bank for E&S risks. We conducted enhanced due diligence for customers operating in the high risk sectors as classified by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN). We assessed all approved transactions for human rights risks such as child labour and forced labour. Our assessment entails initial screening with the Exclusion Checklist for all customers and Further Due Diligence Assessment for High Risk customers or moderate due diligence for customers in Medium Risk sectors.

As a leading financial institution, we remain committed to the provision of first-class financial products and services to our customers, including the underserved and unbanked population. In 2019, we deployed five (5) additional Agent Banking locations, increasing the total number of locations to 60 across the nation from 55 that it was in 2018. Through these agent banking locations, we received deposits of about N6.5 Billion in 2019. This is an increase of 85.7% from the last reporting period in December 2018 (N3.5 Billion). We continue to partner with CBN SANEF programme to expand our reach to the unbanked.

In order to further enhance our contribution to financial inclusion and women empowerment, we introduced "Quick Credit" for Non-Salary Earners (NSE) in April 2019. As at the 31st of December, 2019; about 9,539 NSEs are currently benefitting from the loan with a total exposure of N1.73 Billion to the bank. This is in addition to other products that we have in place such as food, fashion and quick credits which amount to N38.24 Billion as at 31st of December, 2019. All these credits (including the quick credit for NSE) were granted at competitive interest rate and without collateral.

As a sustainable bank, we continue to innovate and develop new initiatives to create a better life for our customers. For instance, in October 2019, the Bank removed all the bank charges for young undergraduates (16-25 years) on our GTCrea8 Account product. With this, undergraduates will no longer pay charges on bank transfers, using 737, receiving transactions alerts, among others. This is part of the Bank's commitment in empowering the youth through providing them the opportunity to bank for free.

As part of our quest to promote Small and Medium Enterprises (SME), we partner with the Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN) to disburse N25 billion to entrepreneurs in Nigeria's Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector. This is the single largest disbursement by DBN to any financial institution in Nigeria. We continue to introduce various programmes and products to promote Small and Medium Enterprises (SME), empower women and deepen financial inclusion. For instance, the fourth edition of both Food & Drink Fair, and Fashion Weekend in 2019 was

conducted as part of our drive to promote SMEs especially the food and fashion industry.

The bank is consistently improving the features of Habari to satisfy the needs of everyone. Habari is the first mobile platform to be developed by a financial institution in Nigeria for music and video streaming, e-commerce and messaging. It is open and accessible to everyone; meeting their lifestyles needs. Through our USSD code, *737#, our customers in most remote locations are able to access financial services using their mobile phones.

Community

At GTBank, we consider Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) to be fundamental to our strategic objectives. Thus, we are committed to lifting our communities and helping our stakeholders to flourish. As part of our commitment to enriching lives of the host communities we operate in, we have a well-planned CSR strategy that stands on four pillars namely community development, education, environment and Arts.

In terms of community development, we carried out 106 projects in Nigeria, Ghana and Tanzania through our Social Responsibility Challenge in 2019. The staff of 98 branches in Nigeria and two of our subsidiaries in Ghana and Tanzania participated in the challenge. This is a voluntary donation by our staff to touch the lives of people living in the communities where we operate. Through our "Simple Change Big Impact programme", we sup-

ported NGOs to execute 20 projects in different parts of Nigeria by providing funds totalling ₦20 Million.

We had a programme in December 2019 that involved provision of fund for 100 people to travel home for Christmas celebration. We also provided them with gifts items for their loved ones. We also organized an event called Xmas village for the orphans where we provided food to orphans from different orphanages, as a way of bringing smiles to their faces.

In terms of promoting education, the Bank donated a sum of One Hundred and Fifty Million Naira (₦150,000,000) to 72 different students as scholarship contribution in 2019. We continue to organize a monthly reading event involving 200 students to promote reading culture; trained 2,133 students on savings across 14 schools in 6 states in Nigeria during Financial Literacy Day in March 2019, amongst others. In celebration of the World Savings Day on October 31, 2019, some staff of the Bank volunteered to teach secondary school students on Saving Skills. The essence of the trainings was to enhance financial knowledge and improve saving culture among the youths.

In terms of protecting the environment, we continue to maintain our adopted public spaces in Lagos, Kano and Sokoto ensuring that the environment remains green and beautiful. This is in addition to several initiatives introduced to protect the environment through our business operation and activities. The table below highlights some of the CSR projects carried out by the Bank in 2019:

Area of Focus		Beneficiaries
Arts	International Museum Day – an annual celebration to raise awareness on the importance of museums.	549 students
	Art 635 Virtual Reality Exhibition – A virtual experience and exhibition of artworks enlisted on Art 635	1,269 artworks exhibited on the virtual reality space
	Summer weekend – A free art class for children and students.	800+ children & students
	Art Gallery – A free online Art Gallery created to support the arts in Africa.	Artists signed up - 152; Artwork added - 1358
Education	GTBank Adopt-a-school project – The GTBank Adopt-a-school project is a child focused programme introduced by the bank in 2004, to improve the quality of public education available to the Nigerian child.	Over 200 participants
	Book N Guage/ Farafina Reads – A monthly Book reading event promoting the reading culture.	200 participants/ monthly
	You Read Initiative – A public library to connect people with global resources of information and knowledge in Lagos, Nigeria.	Over 200 visitors every week day
	Children's Day Celebration (Books Rock) – in line with the You Read Initiative, Books Rock was celebrated around children's day with events such as book reading, writing competitions, games etc.	180 Children in attendance

	Mobile Library – A mobile library van with books for members of the community to exchange.	1,000 participants
	Dusty Manuscripts – an annual contest targeted at budding writers and providing the opportunity to win publishing deals for the finished but unpublished manuscripts	1,300 entries received. 20 writers were shortlisted for boot camp.
Healthcare	Orange Ribbon Initiative – An annual autism conference and one-on-one consultation sessions to educate and assist caregivers on how to care for those living with the autism spectrum disorder.	2,000 conference attendance; 36,000 online attendance.
	Autism Focus Group Meeting – support for monthly focus group meetings at Autism Resource Centre, Lagos University Teaching Hospital (LUTH)	45 participants per month.
	Orange Heart Initiative – staff donations towards sickle cell.	10 people with sickle cell received free health care.
	EDWIN – a support group for women living with disabilities	300 women.
	Support for St Kizito Hospital – Donation of water plant to women living with HIV in the hospital	Over 200 patients
	Christmas Party – support for children on admission at the Massey Children Hospital, Lagos Island on Christmas Day	Over 200 children
Sports/Youth Development	GTBank Masters Cup – An annual football tournament for private secondary schools in Lagos State.	1155 players, 28 schools
	GTBank Principals Cup – An annual football tournament for public secondary schools in Lagos and Ogun State	13068 players , 335 schools
	GTBank CARES – A sum of N55 Million was spent to acquire 488 bicycle for distribution to children living in rural communities across Nigeria. The aim is to leverage on the power of mobility through bicycles to ensure that more children attend school and ultimately break the cycle of poverty.	488 persons

Environment

As a sustainable bank, we continue to monitor our carbon footprint through tracking of our electricity, fuel, water, solid waste and paper usage. We consciously manage the impact of our business operations on the environment by curtailing our business travels, ensure our generators are well-serviced and in cabins, to prevent noise and fumes. We also ensure proper disposal of our wastes and efficient use of water.

The electricity consumed from the National Grid decreased by 36% from 2018 to 2019 and this was as a result of adoption of energy saving methods such as the use of energy saving bulb, switching off all electrical appliances that is not in use, among others. Our diesel consumption also reduced by 11% from 2018 to 2019. The decrease in our fuel usage was as result of timely shut down of our branches.

The total number of our branches/business offices powered by alternative source of energy (solar energy) has increased by 13 (From 29 to 42) from 2018 to 2019. The Bank presently has 6 Main Branches, 6 e-branches and 30 offsite locations which are powered by a hybrid of solar and conventional energy supply (Grid and Diesel Generators). These branches have Automated

Teller Machines (ATMs) and Communication devices powered by solar panels. The number of our ATMs powered by alternative source of energy (Solar energy) also increased from 68 to 84 from 2018 to 2019.

In terms of water usage, we were able to reduce our water usage by 18.4% from 2018 to 2019. This is an indication that our water conservation technique such as avoiding water wastage, paying attention to leaking taps, among others, is working. The total amount of solid waste generated by the bank increased by 7.7% from 2018 to 2019. We have developed strategies to reduce the quantity of our solid waste.

Our paper usage increased by 6.7% because of the growing number of our staff both permanent and contract hires in 2019. To address the increase in paper use, we have developed initiatives to reduce paper consumption especially among units with the highest paper use. Some of the initiatives introduced to reduce paper consumption include the use of both sides of the paper, the storing of documents digitally and electronically, being selective with what we print, the reuse of printed paper for jotting, among others. As part of our strategy for paper reduction, 12% of the paper used by us were recycled instead of disposing the paper immediately.

The number of air travels increased by 13.4% from 2018 to 2019. The Bank has developed initiatives to reduce travels (Air, land, etc) through the use of communication technology (Skype, Zoom) as substitute for physical meetings. There were no adverse environmental impact reported on our branches or projects financed in 2019.

Workplace

At GTBank, we recognize the strategic importance of our workforce in the achievement of our business objectives. As such, our focus is not restricted to the recruitment of qualified hands, but providing them the requisite trainings and conducive environment to perform optimally in satisfying the needs of our customers. We identify the training needs of all our employees; and offer competitive welfare package for effective service delivery.

In 2019, the bank E&S Team trained seventy five (75) account officers/relationship management team on Environmental and Social Risk Management (ESRM). They also conducted a training on ESRM for all members of Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) division of the bank. We periodically publish on our intranet E&S Learning Case Studies covering critical sectors of the economy. Our E&S team attended the workshop on ESMS implementation organized by IFC; and a 2-day sustainability summit to learn and share ideas on sustainability best practices with organisations from different sectors in Nigeria.

For our entire staff, we provided training on subject matters ranging from Corporate Governance, Enterprise Risk Management, Environmental and Social Risk Management, Leadership and Management, among others. We continue to provide our employees with weekly awareness on health related issues and personal finance through "Wellness Wednesdays" and "Finance Fridays" published on our intranet. In March 2019, we had second season of our Orange League Football Competition. The football competition has helped to promote friendly competition among our various business lines. A week-long Health Week which ended with our annual Staff Trek and Family Fun day was also organized by our staff Engagement Team.

The bank has acquired several certifications that show compliance to international best practices such as ISO 9001:2015 (Quality Management System), ISO 27001 (Information Security Management), ISO 20000 (Information Technology Service Management), ISO 22301 (Business Continuity Management), among others. The bank has also implemented Health and Safety Management System in line with ISO 45001:2018.

The bank has grievance mechanism in place to address employees' complaints. The bank HR team conducts survey on a regular basis to elicit the views of employees on critical issues that may affect them, and provide platform for the management to resolve the issues. Besides conducting surveys, other initiatives in place to get the opinions or suggestions of employees include: Call the MD session, regular town hall meetings, yearly Retreat by the bank where selected members of junior staff are mixed

with senior management staff to enhance interaction. Also, employees are able to express their opinion freely as they share the same offices with senior management staff as part of the bank's Open Door Policy.

In line with our dedication to promote gender equality and empower women, the ratio of women in the employment of the Bank and in senior management position is currently 46% and 37% respectively. In 2019, we maintained the number of women on our Board of Directors (BOD) at 4 (29%), same number as 2018. Furthermore, to celebrate International Women's Day in March 2019, female employees were given special treatment and a seminar on a key topic affecting their productivity in the workplace was organized.

We had other initiatives for women such as Breast Cancer Awareness Week, free treatment on fertility, session on "Ask a Gynecologist", among others. The Breast Cancer week was marked between October 14-18, 2019, where we invited a breast cancer survivor to share her experience and sensitize our female employees on how to do breast self-examination. We also published on our intranet "How to do a breast self-examination". As part of the activities for marking the breast cancer week, we introduced quiz on breast cancer awareness and offer prizes to the quiz winners. Our free fertility treatment was offered to interested female staff.

The bank has diversity policy as part of its Employee Handbook. The bank does not discriminate in its recruitment process. The bank has a well-articulated Bribery and Corruption policy, money laundering policy and whistle-blower programs that were drafted in line with best practices and also vetted by the regulators. The bank does not prevent staff from joining an association. Employees are encouraged to join social association with the subscription fees paid by the bank. The bank is a role model in the market place for conducting its business transparently as embedded in our core principles- the Orange Rules.

We deployed on our website a portal for addressing complaints and enquiries by our customers. We won several awards in 2019 such as Best Bank in Nigeria, Best CSR Bank in Nigeria, Best Retail Bank in Nigeria, Best Customer Experience, among others. These awards are evidence of our outstanding performance as a Bank in 2019.

Progress on CBN's Nigerian Sustainable Banking Principles (NSBP)

The bank is a signatory to the CBN's Nigerian Sustainable Banking Principles (NSBP). The CBN's NSBP aligns with relevant international standards. We ensure that our business activities and operations are in tandem with the provisions of the nine (9) principles of NSBP. The table below highlights some of our key achievements in the implementation of CBN's NSBP for 2019:

NSBP PRINCIPLES	DEFINITION	PROGRESS UPDATE
Principle 1	Our Business Activities: Environmental & Social Risk Management. Integration of environmental and social consideration into our lending activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2019, we screened all our transactions for E&S risks As at December 31, 2019 we have visited/conducted desktop Due Diligence Assessments for 87 customers whose operations fall under high risk. Based on the review of relevant documents and information provided by the client, we came up with action plans to be closed out by the customers.
Principle 2	Our Business Operations: Environmental & Social Footprint. Avoidance of the negative impact of our Business Operations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2019, our paper consumption increased by 6.7%. As such we have developed initiatives to reduce paper usage especially with the units with the highest use. The electricity consumed from the National Grid decreased by 36% from 2018 to 2019 and this was as a result of adoption of energy saving methods such as the use of energy saving bulbs, putting off of all electrical appliances that is not in use, among others. Our diesel consumption also reduced by 11% from 2018 to 2019. We presently have 6 Main Branches, 6 e-branches and 30 offsite locations which are powered by a hybrid of solar and conventional energy supply (Grid and Diesel Generators), while 8 ATMs are powered by hybrid energy (blend of solar and conventional power sources).
Principle 3	Human Rights: Respect for the rights of all in Business Operations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A total number of 886 Transactions booked were assessed for human rights risks such as child labour and forced labour in 2019. Assessment comprised of initial screening with the Exclusion Checklist for all customers and Further Due Diligence Assessment for High Risk customers. We did not process any transaction with counterparties where human rights violation/abuse were identified.
Principle 4	Women's Economic Empowerment: promote economic empowerment through a gender inclusive workplace culture and provide products and services for women.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The percentage of female employees against the total staff complement remains at 46%. The percentage of women in management position increased from 35% in 2018 to 37% in 2019. The number of women on our board remained four (4 women), same as 2018. The bank has products such as Food, Fashion and Quick credits that are women focused and they could apply without collateral.
Principle 5	Financial Inclusion: Promotion of financial inclusion and provision of financial services to individuals and communities that have limited or no access to the formal financial sector.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2019, the bank opened an additional 5 Agent Banking locations in Lagos, Rivers and Oyo states. The Bank hosted the GTBank Food and Drink Fair to support SME businesses in the food industry. The event was attended by over 250,000 individuals and provided vendors the opportunity to promote their food products and services. The number of our branches that can easily be accessed by physically challenged increased from 116 to 118 from December 2018 to December 2019. All new branches are provided with ramps for easy access and dedicated toilets were also provided for physically challenged.

Principle 6	E&S Governance: Implementation of a transparent E&S governance practices within the institution and assess the E&S governance of our clients.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our internal audit team (Syscon) conducts monthly visits to track and monitor our progress on E&S governance • We provided update to our investors (IFC, Proparco and AfDB) on our E&S performance • We do monthly and quarterly reports to our management and board on our E&S journey
Principle 7	Capacity Building: development of capacity to identify, assess and manage E&S risks and opportunities associated with the bank's business activities and operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The bank E&S team trained 75 account officers/relationship managers on Environmental and Social Risk Management (ESRM). • We conducted a training on ESRM for all members of Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) division. • We published on the intranet E&S Learning Case Studies.
Principle 8	Collaborative Partnerships: collaboration across the sector and leveraging on international partnerships and move the financial sector as one and ensure consistency with international standards.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We attended a 2-day sustainability summit for organisations in different sectors in Nigeria to learn and share best practices in Sustainability. • Held E&S process review meetings with IFC • We attended the workshop on ESMS implementation organized by IFC
Principle 9	Reporting: regularly review and report our progress in meeting the principles/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The bank rendered the Bi-Annual Sustainability Report to the regulator (CBN) and also dedicated a chapter on the Bank's sustainability journey in the financials. • We also provided periodic updates to our investors such as IFC on the integration of Environmental and Social Risk Management (ESRM) in the Bank's framework.

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

At GTBank, we support the government efforts at achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through investments in critical sectors, our CSR and product development initiatives. Our achievements in terms of promoting SDGs are highlighted below:

GOAL	TARGET	
Goal 1: No Poverty	Eradicate extreme poverty for all people everywhere	We contributed to poverty reduction through periodic payment of taxes to government, introduction of accessible credits for low-income people such as Quick credit for Non-Salary Earners (NSE), through our various CSR initiatives such as provision of scholarship to indigent students, among others.
Goal 2- Zero Hunger	End hunger, achieve food security, improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.	We contribute to ensure hunger eradication through strategic lending to customers in the agriculture sector such as Presco, Olam, WACOT, among others and various initiatives such as yearly food & drink fair which has helped to promote SMEs in the food industry and increase access to cheap and affordable food, thereby reducing hunger. We also provided single digit interest rate credit facilities to participants in the food industries.
Goal 3- Good Health and Well-being	Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages	We continue to promote healthy living through our various health initiatives such as donations to patients with sickle cells and women living with HIV, support for children with Autism, support for patients at St Kizito Hospital, visit to Massey Children Hospital and gift donations, among others.

Goal 4- Quality Education	Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all	At the core of our CSR is education, this is based on our awareness that education has multiplier effects in terms of reducing poverty, improving health and contributing to economic growth. We promote education through our various initiatives such as adopt a school programme, donation of reading materials to schools, renovation of schools, Mobile Library, GTcr8 Scholarship, Orange Cycles/GT cares where bicycles were procured for students in remote villages to ease their daily commute, among others.
Goal 5- Gender Equality	Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls	At GTBank, we support gender equality through our HR policies and various initiatives carried out by the Bank. As at the 31st of December, 2019, the percentage of women in our workforce is 46% while that of senior management team is 37%. In 2019, we organized Food & Drink fair, and Fashion Weekend and offer food and fashion credits to promote businesses in the food and fashion space mostly dominated by women.
Goal 6- Clean Water and Sanitation	Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all	In 2019, we promoted sustainable management of water and sanitation through our employees volunteer activities such as repair of a non-functional borehole at Ja'oji, Zaria Road, Kano; donation of toiletries at ST Vincent de Paul Centre, Umuafai, Abia State and the Nigerian Prison Service at Segede, Ondo State; renovation of 6 toilets and repair of faulty pumping machine at Federal Housing Estate Primary School, Lagos State; environmental exercise participation by sweeping and cleaning of Idumota Market, Lagos and that of Ugbo Awa Community in Enugu State; among others.
Goal 7- Affordable and Clean Energy	Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all	We have made significant internal and external contribution in ensuring efficient energy usage and encouraging our borrowing customers towards the adoption of renewable energy. We have 42 of our branches and 84 of our ATMs powered by solar energy. We continue to reduce our diesel consumption and introduce energy saving light bulbs at all our branches in order to reduce energy consumption and ensure a safer environment.
Goal 8- Decent Work and Economic Growth	Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all	At GTBank, we ensure that we promote sustainable economic growth and decent work through paying competitive wages to our staff. We offer several benefits such as 13th month salary, HMOs, pension, leave allowance, quarterly allowance, half-year bonus, among others, to promote decent living for our employees. We engaged vendors through competitive bids for projects and services. In 2019, we partnered with the Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN) to provide loans totalling N25 Billion to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) as a way of promoting economic growth.
Goal 9- Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure	Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation	In 2019, GTBank built Nigeria's first digital play centre for children. This is one of our own ways of promoting innovation by providing a place for kids to have fun while engaging in an experience that can add to their mental and intellectual development. We provided ramps and ensured the installation of energy efficient electrical bulbs in all our new branches in 2019. We remain committed to using our value-adding banking products and services to improve the condition of Nigeria's social infrastructure.

Goal 10- Reduced Inequalities	Reduce inequality within and among countries	In 2019, we embarked on several projects aimed at reducing inequalities and providing a level-playing field for everyone. Through our staff social responsibility challenge, we were able to empower over 1000 people living with disabilities. For instance, the staff of our Garki Area 3 branch donated crutches, protective sandals and toiletries to 100 persons living with leprosy at Yangoji community in Abuja.
Goal 11- Sustainable Cities and Communities	Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable	At GTBank, we continue to ensure that we make our cities safe and habitable for everyone through financing projects that allow for the creation of smart city and donations towards a cleaner and habitable city. For instance, our staff in Ogui road branch in Enugu State participated in cleaning drainages at Ugbo Oye at Abakpa Nike, Enugu State.
Goal 12- Responsible Consumption	Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns	In 2019, GTBank embarked on several initiatives that helped in efficient usage of energy thereby reducing our energy cost. Some of these initiatives include printing on both sides of the paper, timely shut down of our branches, switching off all electrical appliances not in use, reducing car emissions from multiple cars by engaging in car pooling, segregation of wastes into reusable, recyclable and non-reusable, among others.
Goal 13- Climate Action	Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts	At GTBank, we continue to minimize the impact of climate change in our business activities and operations. We conduct enhanced due diligence for customers whose activities may impact negatively on the environment (High Risk sectors). We also conduct moderate due diligence for customers in medium risk sectors. This is with a view to minimizing the effects of climate change in the operations of our customers. As an organisation, we developed several initiatives to reduce our carbon footprint such as water, fuel and electricity usage in 2019.
Goal 14- Life below water	Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development	Through our sustainable waste management practices, we partnered with Lagos State Waste Management Authority (LAWMA) and other government approved waste collectors to ensure that all wastes from our facilities are disposed only in designated landfill sites. Through the use of government approved waste collectors, waste generated from our branches is prevented from ending up inside the ocean or river to disrupt marine life.
Goal 15- Life on Land	Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss	At GTBank, we are conscious of the need to protect life on land through our sustainable waste management and deliberate attempt at reducing the number of solid wastes sent to landfill sites in order to reduce land pollution. Our awareness of the link between paper use and deforestation made us to develop some initiatives to moderate our paper usage in 2019.
Goal 16- Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions	Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels	At GTBank, we have a well-organized governance system that is highly transparent and accountable to all our stakeholders. Ours is an organisation that has been able to promote peaceful co-existence in our communities of operations through our CSR activities. In 2019, through our staff voluntary social responsibility challenge, we were able to execute 106 projects in some communities in Nigeria, Ghana and Tanzania.

<p>Goal 17- Partner- ships for the goals</p>	<p>Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development</p>	<p>In our attempt at promoting the UN SDGs, we were able to form partnership with Several organisations as well as other global bodies. Some of these organisations are listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member, United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UN-EP-FI) • Organisational Stakeholder, Global Reporting Initiatives (GRI) • Member, Nigerian Sustainable Banking Principles • Development Partner, Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) • Development Partner, International Finance Corporation (IFC) • Development Partner, African Development Bank (AfDB) • Development Partner, Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN)
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Summary of our ESG Materiality

At GTBank, we are concerned with the development of innovative approach to meet the needs of all our stakeholders. We conduct stakeholders' analysis and developed strategy to connect with our stakeholders.

Using the guidance of the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) developed in 2018, we summarize our material ESG issues below:

- **Access and affordability:** At GTBank, we are concerned with increasing access to our services and creating affordable services. In 2019, we introduced quick credit for Non-Salary Earners (NSEs), removed charges for our GTCrea8 Account product, improved the features of Habari to satisfy the needs of everyone, partnered with DBN to promote MSMEs, among others. We were able to increase our customer base through our deliberate efforts in promoting community development, business growth and financial inclusion.
- **Labour practices:** At GTBank, we are aware of the importance of our workforce in achieving our strategic business objective of attracting more customers and increasing our deposit base. We continue to provide requisite trainings and offer competitive welfare package to all our workforce. This is to enhance quality of service from our employees to our customers.
- **Data security and customer privacy:** We are aware of the importance of data security to our continued existence, as such, we have a robust legacy banking application and technology architecture that prevent data leakages and compromise. We have in place sophisticated tools to prevent cyber-attacks and promote data security. We also ensure customer privacy by aligning with best international practice. We comply with the requirements of General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and that of Nigeria Data Protection Regulation (NDPR) and other relevant regulations. We constantly create awareness to our staff, customers and vendors to be aware of the activities of fraudsters and the need to preserve their security details from identity theft.
- **Lifecycle impacts of products and services:** At GTBank, we are aware of the importance of conducting due diligence on our products and services. We have an Environmental and Social Policy endorsed by the regulators and approved by the board. The policy is developed in line with the requirements of CBN's NSBP and international best practices such as the IFC Performance Standards. We have fully integrated environmental and social considerations into all our business activities and operations. We conduct enhanced due diligence for customers in high risk sectors and moderate due diligence for customers in medium risk sectors. As part of our assessment, we apply the bank's exclusion list on all credits. We monitor the action plans developed through our due diligence and ensure that identified gaps are closed out by our customers.
- **Business ethics:** The Bank has a strong business ethics and promotes its core values to employees of the Bank through its Code of Professional Conduct; its Ethics Policy as well as Communications Policy, which regulate employee relations with internal and external parties. This is a strong indicator of the Bank's determination to ensure that its employees remain professional at all times in their business practices. The Bank also has an entrenched culture of openness in which healthy discourse is encouraged and employees are mandated to report improper activities in the Bank.
- **Systemic risk management:** We have a strong Enterprise Risk Management division that works with relevant units in the bank in managing risks in our business operations and that of our business activities. We have several risk management units that see to different kind of risks such as credit, operational, reputational, market, legal, cyber risks, among others.



COMPLAINTS AND FEEDBACK

Introduction

At Guaranty Trust Bank plc ("the Bank"), we understand the importance of our customers' satisfaction to the achievement of our set goals. Hence, the incorporation of the 'treating customers fairly' principles into our business strategy to enable us deliver on our promises to our stakeholders.

We recognize that customer feedback is an important tool in monitoring and responding to customer expectations hence we continue to imbibe good conduct practice across our business, with a range of initiatives to further improve the service and experience we offer to customers.

The information gathered is used for detailed analysis to identify recurring issues which are reviewed by the relevant stakeholders for learning purposes and improvement of the Bank's products and services with emphasis on preventing a reoccurrence of such identified issues.

The Feedback Channels/ Customer Touch points

We appreciate the feedback provided by our customers, as such the following touch points are available to encourage our customers' interaction with the Bank:

- GT Connect (our 24 hours self-service interactive call center);
- The Complaints received via emails, letters and the portal on the Bank's website;
- Social Media feedback platform;
- The Customer Information Service desk at any of our branches;
- The Whistle Blowing portal on the Bank's website.

Customers' opinion on products, services and processes

The Bank constantly evaluates valuable insights provided by customers and other stakeholders regarding our products, services and policies in order to improve the business and overall customer experience.

The review and evaluation are conducted using various methods including:

- Customer feedback survey via the Bank's website, In-branch, and Internet banking customer satisfaction rater;
- One-on-one focus/business review meetings with customers;
- Business review sessions/ Interviews with randomly picked customers.
- Our 'Call the MD' sessions

Complaints Handling and Resolution Structure

The Bank has an effective mechanism in place for complaints handling which ensures the prompt resolution of customers' complaints if and when they arise. The Complaints Unit of the Bank is charged with the responsibility for receipt, prompt investigation and resolution of customers' complaints. It also serves as the liaison between the Bank and its customers as well as regulatory authorities.

Complaints received are given a unique identifier number for tracking purposes, acknowledged and addressed promptly. Where a resolution can be provided immediately, the customer is provided with feedback, if not, the issue raised is referred to the appropriate team in the Bank for prompt resolution. The customer is kept informed throughout the process until final feedback is provided and resolution attained. The complaint is then marked as closed.

The complaints handling process is reviewed periodically and complaints received are categorised and reviewed properly with the aim of enhancing the Bank's delivery of efficient and effective services.

The Bank ensures that complaints are dealt with in an equitable, objective and unbiased manner. We also align our procedures with regulatory requirements and international best practice in a bid to ensure that the complaint handling process is fair and reasonable.

Reports To The CBN On Customer Complaints

In line with the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) guidelines on resolution of customers' complaints, the Bank provides periodic reports to the CBN.

Below is a breakdown of Complaints received and resolved by the Bank between January and December 2019 pursuant to CBN circular dated August 16, 2011.

COMPLAINTS AND FEEDBACK

Description	Number		Amount Claimed (N'000)		Amount Refunded (N'000)	
	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018
1 Pending Complaints brought forward from prior year	87	106	329,014	853,165	-	-
2 Received Complaints	49,553	45,737	173,026	700,092	-	-
3 Resolved Complaints	49,587	45,756	173,282	1,224,243	282,014	326,328
4 Unresolved Complaints escalated to CBN for intervention	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 Unresolved Complaints pending with the Bank carried forward *	53	87	328,758	329,014	-	-

* Some of the outstanding complaints include complaints on dispense errors on other Bank terminal, failed bill payment, excess charges, etc. In addition to the above, the Bank made additional refund of ₦153,757,000 during the year.

The table below show Complaints received and resolved by the Bank in other currencies for the year ended December 2019 and December 2018 respectively.

RECEIVED COMPLAINTS (Per Currency)

Currency	Amount Claimed	
	2019	2018
1 United States Dollars	\$44,476	\$1,835,818
2 Great Britain Pounds	£570	£0
3 Euros	€6,359	€9

RESOLVED COMPLAINTS (Per Currency)

Currency	Amount Claimed		Amount Refunded	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
1 United States Dollars	\$44,476	\$1,835,818	\$13,109	\$1,829,139
2 Great Britain Pounds	£570	£0	£0	£0
3 Euros	€6,359	€9	€4,265	€0

In addition to the above, the Bank made additional refund of \$1,676 during the year.

UNRESOLVED COMPLAINTS (Per Currency)

Currency	Amount Claimed	
	2019	2018
1 United States Dollars	\$0	\$0
2 Great Britain Pounds	£0	£0
3 Euros	€0	€0

REPORTS TO THE CBN ON FRAUD AND FORGERIES

In line with Section 5.1.2 (L) of the CBN Code of Corporate governance, the breakdown of fraud and forgeries for the year is provided below:

Fraud and Forgeries	2019	2018
Number of Fraud Incidents	15,461	10,673
Amount Involved (N'000)	1,535,564.23	821,432.28
Amount Involved (USD\$'000)	139.17	79.99
Actual/Expected Loss (N'000)	107,445.50	157,077.87
Actual/Expected Loss (USD\$'000)	0.91	27.28



AML/CFT FRAMEWORK

Anti-Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) framework

Guaranty Trust Bank plc ("The Bank"), remains committed to the fight against all forms of financial crime, which includes, money laundering and terrorist financing, bribery and corruption. To show this commitment, the Bank has implemented a framework for Anti-Money Laundering ("AML"), Combating the Financing of Terrorism ("CFT") and the prevention of the financing and proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. It is also mandatory for all members of staff Group wide to ensure strict compliance with the framework to protect the global financial services industry.

The Bank's framework ensures compliance with AML/CFT legislation and regulations in Nigeria and has incorporated leading best practices. The bedrock of the framework includes, but is not limited to the following:

- The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) 40 Recommendations;
- Money Laundering (Prohibition) Act 2011 (as amended);
- Terrorism (Prevention) Act 2011 (as amended);
- CBN AML/CFT Regulations 2013;
- Terrorism Prevention Regulations 2013;
- Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Act, Cap. C31 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 ("the Act").
- UK Bribery Act 2010;
- USA Foreign Corrupt Practices Act;
- Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Circulars.

Structure of the framework

The Bank has developed policies and procedural guidelines, and these documents are regularly reviewed/ revised to ensure that they stay relevant and current and are in line with the ever-changing regulatory requirements and leading practices. The Policies and Procedures clearly lay out the Bank's AML/CFT stance in the global fight against financial crime and are available on the Bank's intranet for access to all members of staff at any point in time. The AML/CFT statement is also available on the Bank's website.

The Bank has advanced from a basic "rule based and tick box" approach for combating financial crime risk, to a risk-based approach. Thus, the Bank identifies, classifies and assesses the risks from a proactive position and assigns the requisite resources which revolve around systems and controls to manage these risks. The risk-based approach better equips the Bank to handle emerging risks.

Scope of the framework

The scope of the Bank's AML/CFT framework includes the following:

(i) Board and Management responsibilities:

In accordance with AML/CFT global best practice, the "tone is set from the top". The Board of Directors of the Bank has oversight responsibilities for the AML/CFT framework. The Board

ensures that the Bank's Management and all employees adhere strictly to all regulatory and internal procedures relating to AML/CFT and that the Bank maintains a zero tolerance for regulatory infractions.

(ii) Reports to Senior Management and the Board:

On a monthly and quarterly basis, AML/CFT reports are provided to senior management and the Board respectively. These reports provide the Board and senior management with information to enable them to evaluate the Bank's compliance with its regulatory obligations. The reports also ensure that Directors and senior management are kept well-informed of emerging trends and developments in the financial industry, particularly in the area of AML/CFT risk management.

Feedback on the reports are provided to the Compliance team by the Board as part of its oversight function.

(iii) Know Your Customer (KYC) procedures:

To ensure that only customers that align with the Bank's risk appetite are on-boarded, a duly completed account opening form and the provision of identification and other relevant information and documents are provided. This is the foundation/bedrock for on-boarding a customer in the Bank. Customer Due Diligence (CDD) and AML/CFT risk assessment is conducted before engaging in any banking relationship with a customer. This includes at a minimum, identity, biometric verification number (BVN) and address verification as well as ascertaining the source of income and wealth of the customer. Where appropriate, KYC includes ascertaining who the Ultimate Beneficial Owner (UBO), Legal representatives and Trustees are for the account.

Customers that are identified as high risk from the AML risk assessment are subjected to Enhanced Due Diligence (EDD). EDD is conducted on such customers including Politically Exposed Persons (PEPs) to assess and manage the risks that the customers might pose. The approval of senior management and the Compliance team is required prior to the commencement of banking relationship with such high-risk customers.

In compliance with regulatory requirements and perceived AML risk threats, Designated Non-Financial Businesses and Professionals (DNFBPs) and other similar businesses are required to undertake requisite and regulatory measures before account opening.

As part of the Bank's KYC and CDD procedures, identification documents are requested and obtained to confirm the ultimate beneficial owners of a business and the organisation's control and structure. Sanction screening is also conducted prior to entering into a relationship as well as prior to effecting a transaction to ensure that the Bank does not enter into a relationship with a sanctioned person/entity.

(iv) Transaction Monitoring:

Transaction monitoring is done using manual and automated methods. The former is performed by all members of staff, who are regularly provided with red flags to look out for and the latter resides within the Compliance team with the aid of transaction monitoring solutions.

All members of staff are aware and are constantly reminded of the fact that suspicious activities/ transactions should immediately be referred to the Compliance team.

To properly monitor transactions passing through the Bank's systems, the SAS AML tool, has been fully deployed in the Bank, providing an advancement in the means by which transactions are monitored and investigated.

(v) Transaction Reporting:

Regulatory and statutory requirements stipulate that certain reports and returns are made to regulatory bodies. The Nigerian Financial Intelligence Unit (NFIU) is the agency charged with the responsibility in Nigeria of receiving these transaction reports.

The following are the transaction-based reports sent to the NFIU in accordance with statutory and regulatory requirements:

- Currency Transaction Report (CTR)
- Foreign Currency Transaction Report (FTR)
- Suspicious Transaction Report (STR)

The Bank renders reports to the NFIU and the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) in accordance with the provisions of sections 2, 6 and 10 of the Money Laundering (Prohibition) Act of 2011 as amended ("the Act").

Section 2 of the Act provides that financial institutions must submit a report on all international transfer of funds and securities of a sum exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or its equivalent in other foreign currencies.

Section 6 of the Act provides that a financial institution must submit a report on all unusual suspicious transactions.

Section 10 of the Act provides that any lodgment or transfer of funds in excess of N5 million and above for individuals and N10 million and above for corporate customers must be reported.

The Bank also, where applicable, in accordance with the Act, provides transaction-based reports to competent authorities as required.

(vi) Relationship with Regulators and Law Enforcement Agencies:

The Bank maintains a cordial and supportive relationship with all regulatory and law enforcement agencies. The Bank promptly complies with and responds to all requests made, pursuant to the law, and provides information to regulators including the NFIU, the CBN and other relevant agencies.

The Bank is also at the forefront of cooperating with regulators to give feedback on new regulations and means to mitigate the risks that are being encountered in the financial industry brought on by new innovations and developing trends.

(vii) Sanctions Compliance Management:

As a policy, the Bank does not enter any relationship with sanctioned individuals/entities. All employees, as applicable to their functions, are required to screen names of individuals and

organisations who have or plan to enter a business relationship or carry out a transaction with/through the Bank against the Bank's internal watch list.

The internal watch list contains amongst others, the names of individuals and entities, who have been blacklisted by various bodies worldwide: Office of Foreign Asset Control (OFAC); European Union (EU); Her Majesty's Treasury (HMT); The Ministry of Economy, Finance and Industry in France (MINEFI); The United Nations (UN); and the Local Lists as provided by local regulatory and enforcement bodies.

Employees are required, as part of the Bank's policy, to refrain from any relationship and/or transaction which yield a true or positive match. Where a true positive match is identified, staff are to follow the escalation procedure. The Bank employs an automated tool to aid in the screening against sanctions lists. Sanctions screening is done at account opening, as well as on a periodic basis for all accounts, and on a real time basis for all SWIFT transactions.

(viii) Politically Exposed Persons (PEPs)

PEPs are individuals who are or have been entrusted with prominent public functions and the classification also includes, people or entities associated with them. Enhanced due diligence measures are applied to PEPs, as with other high risk customers to mitigate the AML/CFT risk they pose. This is to ensure that the Bank is not unintentionally aiding fraudulent activities such as money laundering and/or the financing of terrorism.

In line with FATF's recommendation, the Bank employs the use of an automated monitoring tool in identifying and monitoring PEP transactions. This is attained through the thorough review of information provided by customers and their transaction trends. Continuous monitoring is also carried out on these accounts.

On-boarding of new PEP accounts, as well as continuity of such accounts (for those already existing in the system) is subject to the approval of an Executive Director and the Compliance Team.

(ix) AML/CFT principles for Correspondent Banking:

The Bank only on-boards and maintains correspondent banking relationships with financial institutions that have implemented adequate AML/CFT policies and procedures. The Bank does not enter into any form of relationships with shell banks nor maintain any payable through accounts. The Bank ensures that due diligence, including adverse media searches, are performed annually on our correspondent relationships to mitigate potential AML/CFT risks.

(x) Prohibited Business Relationships:

In line with international best practice, the Bank does not open accounts or conduct transactions for customers using pseudonyms or numbers instead of actual names. The Bank also does not maintain relationships with individuals or entities that have been sanctioned. This includes not entering business relationships with individuals on the BVN Watchlist without the express approval of the CBN.

(xi) Risk Assessment:

The Bank conducts Risk Assessment on its customers, existing products, new products and services. This is to ensure that AML/CFT risks are identified, assessed and mitigated. Customer accounts are also reassessed periodically to ensure that risk posed by customers are adequately identified and mitigated.

A report in accordance with local regulation and best practice is prepared annually.

(xii) Anti-Bribery and Corruption (ABC) and Anti-Fraud):

The Bank upholds the highest standards of ethical conducts in all its activities and interactions. The Bank has zero tolerance for any form of bribery, corruption, fraud and unethical practices among employees, between the Bank and its employees, as well as between the Bank and external parties. The Bank also mandates the same standards to be applied by third parties acting on behalf of the Bank.

The Bank's Board approved Ethics policy provides the requisite standards and principles on ethical conducts and practices expected and required of all staff and our related stakeholders.

(xiii) AML/CFT Training:

The Bank places a lot of importance on the training of its employees. Training is conducted to ensure employees are well informed and up to date on the AML/CFT laws, KYC principles and the red flags of money laundering or terrorism financing which may occur in their job functions. Annual Compliance training is mandatory for the Board members and all levels of staff, including Senior Management.

Trainings is conducted via e-learning, face to face or on an ad hoc basis by email or via intranet slides to the appropriate personnel in relation to topical national and international findings.

Tests are also conducted annually after the trainings to ensure that all staff have understood the training content.

(xiv) AML/CFT Audits:

To ensure compliance with laws and regulations and to ensure an ever-evolving fit for use of the Compliance function, internal audit of the AML/CFT function is conducted on a quarterly basis. The audit is done to test the adequacy of the AML/CFT functions and ensure that the AML/CFT measures put in place by the Bank are up to date and effective.

The reports and findings of the audit are circulated to various levels of senior management. A follow-up to the audits takes place to ensure that the relevant issues are closed out and that the highlighted recommendations have been implemented.

The Compliance function also undergoes an annual independent audit by an external consultant in accordance with regulatory requirements.

(xv) Record Retention:


In accordance with regulations, customer identification documents are retained throughout the life of the account and for five (5) years after the cessation of the banking relationship. Transaction instruments are retained for five (5) years after the transaction date.

In litigation and/or regulatory investigations, the records will be kept for as long as they are required.

(xvi) Subsidiaries

In compliance with international best practice, the Bank ensures that its subsidiaries AML/CFT provisions are consistent with the Bank's framework. These measures are applied to the extent that the respective subsidiary's local laws and regulations permit; however, where there is a variance the stricter regulation will always apply.

Greater collaboration has been fostered and control measures taken based on the current international best practices. This is to ensure that all our subsidiaries maintain the highest standards for AML/CFT controls.



INTERNAL CONTROL AND RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Internal control and Risk Management Systems in relation to the financial reporting

Guaranty Trust Bank's internal control and risk Management systems ensure that material errors or inconsistencies in the financial statements are identified and corrected. The Bank's internal control framework is patterned after the Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission's (COSO) Framework.

COSO defines internal control as "a process effected by an entity's Board of Directors, Management and other personnel, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of objectives" in three categories--effectiveness and efficiency of operations; reliability of financial reporting; and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The scope of internal control therefore extends to policies, plans, procedures, processes, systems, activities, functions, projects, initiatives, and endeavors of all types at all levels of the Bank.

The internal control and risk Management systems comprise the following areas:

- Control Environment
- Risk Assessment
- Control Activities
- Information and Communication
- Monitoring

Control Environment

The Bank has three Board Committees (Board Risk Committee, Board Credit Committee and Board Audit Committee) that have oversight function on the Bank's Risk Management Processes. The Committees are responsible for setting risk Management policies that ensure material risks inherent in the Bank's business are identified and mitigated or controlled. The Bank also has an Audit Committee which is made up of three shareholders' representatives and three Non- Executive Directors; one of the shareholders' representatives is the Chairman. The Audit Committee is therefore independent. Its oversight functions include among others, ensuring that quality accounting policies, internal controls, independent and objective statutory auditors are in place to prevent and detect fraud and material errors in financial reporting.

The Bank's Management committees are responsible for implementing risk Management policies set out by the Board. They are also responsible for setting internal control policies and monitoring the effectiveness of the internal control systems. They ensure proper books of accounts are kept and accounting policies are in conformity with: International Financial Reporting Standards; Prudential Guidelines for licensed Banks; Circulars issued by the Central Bank of Nigeria; The requirements of the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act; and The requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act.

Risk Assessment

The Board and Senior Management regularly assess the risks the Bank is exposed to, including risks relating to financial report-

ing. Management Committees meets on a regular basis to assess the credit, market, interest rates, liquidity, legal and reputational risks facing the bank. Senior Management also regularly considers whether the existing internal controls are effective in relation to the risks identified in the financial reporting process.

The Board also assesses the effectiveness of the Bank's internal control over financial reporting on an ongoing basis and specifically at mid-year and year end. The Management letter issued by the external auditors which contains the auditors' observations on the control environment in the Bank is discussed at the Audit Committee meetings.

Periodic Independent Assessment of the Internal Audit Function

In line with the Nigerian Code of Corporate Governance, banks are to undergo an independent Quality Assurance Review (QAR) of their Internal Audit function. The objective of this review is to assess the Internal Audit function's conformance to regulatory standards and requirements, as well as to identify improvement opportunities. One of such reviews was recently concluded in the bank and going forward, it will be conducted periodically as mandated by the Code.

Control Activities

Control activities are an integral part of the Bank's day to day operations. Senior Management has set up control structure to ensure control activities are defined at every business area.

Examples of the Bank's control activities include the following;

Top Management Reviews

- Internal Audit Reports eliciting control weaknesses are presented periodically to Management and Board Audit Committee.
- Preparation of financial statements on a daily basis for Management review.
- Monthly and quarterly profitability review, where the Bank's financial performance is reviewed and compared with set budgets. Quarterly reports of the Chief Risk Officer to the Board, eliciting the existing and potential risks facing the Bank and the mitigants deployed.

Activity Control

Control functions are embedded within each business area for self-checking of activities within the areas (for instance, transactions call over for timely detection of errors is carried out by all posting units).

Physical Controls

There are policies guiding access to the Bank's physical and financial assets, including dual custody, use of overrides etc.

Compliance with Limits

The Bank sets internal limits guiding its trading book activities, liquidity and interest rate gaps, credit concentration limits. The limits are monitored on a daily basis by an independent unit outside the business areas.

Approval and Authorisation Limits

- There are segregation of duties; no officer can start and conclude transactions
- Limits exist for credit and expense approvals. Transactions are approved at appropriate levels.

Verifications and Reconciliations

All internal ledgers are regularly proofed and reconciled; exception reports are generated.

Whistle Blowing

The Bank has instituted a strong whistle blowing culture among staff and also created awareness among its stakeholders. The whistle blowing platform is accessible to all and the aim is primarily to ensure that all cases of irregularities are made known and addressed by the Bank.

Information and Communication/ Monitoring

The Bank's Management understands the need for a timely, reliable and accurate information flow within the Bank, for effective decision making and enhanced financial reporting. Every activity of the Bank is codified in the Bank's standard operating procedure (SOP), which outlines the process flow and specifies the duties and responsibilities of every officer in relation to the activity. The SOP further highlights requirement for reporting, the frequency of reporting as well as those within the organisation to whom the report would be directed to.

The following are some of the generic internal reports used by Management for decision making and monitoring purposes:

- FINSTAT- Financial Statements Report
- BPR- Business Performance Review Report
- MPR- Monthly Profitability Report
- Liquidity Ratio Report
- OPR - Operations Performance Report
- APR- Account Profitability Report
- ECR- Expense Control Report
- CAC- Criticized Asset Committee Report
- CLR- Criticized Loans Report
- ALCO- Asset and Liability Committee Report
- Overdraft Efficiency Report



CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT



○ MRS. OSARETIN DEMUREN

BUILDING FOR LONG-TERM SUCCESS

Our most remarkable achievement over the past thirty years is how well-positioned our company is today to dominate the future of the financial services industry.

CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mrs. Osaretin Demuren

Distinguished Shareholders, Members of the Board of Directors, Ladies and Gentlemen, welcome to the 30th Annual General Meeting of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc.

As we mark the 30th anniversary of this Proudly African and Truly International Institution, it is remarkable to look back at what our company has achieved in just three decades. Indeed, our many milestones — disrupting the banking space as we knew it, becoming the first Nigerian bank to be listed on the London Stock Exchange (LSE) and leading the industry in the digital transformation of financial services, just to name a few — belies the young age of our great organisation.

However, our most remarkable achievement over the past thirty years is how well-positioned our company is today to dominate the future of the financial services industry. We have a very efficient senior management team and an incredibly talented and hardworking staff working together to build our digital and structural capabilities that will enable us to lead the rapid and radical change happening in our business environment. In line with the dictates of my office, I will share with you how your bank is leveraging these strong fundamentals to position for long-term success.

First, A Review of our Macro-economic Environment in 2019

In 2019, the general election was successfully conducted to elect leaders at presidential, gubernatorial and parliamentary levels. In the keenly contested presidential elections, the incumbent President, Mohammed Buhari, was re-elected to serve another four years in office. The successful conduct of the elections resulted in the dissipation of pre-election uncertainties and the ramping-up of business activities. To consolidate on the success of the election, the fiscal and monetary authorities focused on growth-oriented policies which moderately raised the economic growth rate, improved the ease of doing business, stabilised exchange rate and moderated the pace of inflation.

However, the gains from the policies were doused by headwinds

in the global economy, which emanated from the heightened US-Sino trade feud and the escalation of Brexit-related uncertainties. The US increased tariffs on goods imported from China and placed some Chinese tech-companies on a blacklist that effectively bans them from doing business with US firms. Counteractively, China raised tariffs on US imports and devalued its currency to make its exports more competitive. Likewise, the deadlock in the UK parliament resulted in two extensions of the Brexit date. Resultantly, consumer spending, business confidence and investments declined to levels noted during the 2016 referendum.

As a result of these disputes, the fear of a global recession was ignited, as factory activities slowed in the US, Europe and Asia. This was more prominent in the US and China, with the inversion of the US treasury-bond yield curve and the slowdown in China's real GDP to its weakest pace in three decades. However, towards the end of the year, the protracted trade dispute between the two economic giants subsided, following the signing of the "Phase One" deal, which covers agreements around trade, technology transfer and currency conduct.

The mounting fears of a global recession and weakening manufacturing activities impacted the demand for crude oil, which exerted downward pressures on international crude oil prices. Crude oil price (Brent) declined to an average of \$64.34pbl in 2019 from \$71.06pbl in 2018. To abate the threats to growth, most Central Banks of advanced economies became more accommodative, which facilitated the increase in capital inflows to high-yielding emerging economies and portfolio allocations that favoured equities. Consequently, the global equities market (tracked by the MSCI World Index) recorded the strongest performance (26.3%) since the aftermath of the global financial crisis (2009) as the equity index of most advanced economies grew significantly during the year, with many indices breaching record highs.

In Nigeria, the real GDP growth rate improved to 2.27% in 2019 from 1.93% in the preceding year. The growth rate of the economy remains tepid with the weakening of crude prices and

the rising spate of illegal bunkering activities in the Niger-Delta Region, which disrupts oil flow on pipelines that feed major export terminals. However, the Government's plan to diversify the economy from over-reliance on crude oil yielded results, as growth in the Non-Oil Sector outperformed the Oil-Sector by contributing 1.87% to real GDP growth, compared with a 0.4% contribution by the oil sector. Growth in the Non-Oil Sector was buoyed by the Telecommunication and Agricultural sectors. The growth in the Telecommunication Sector was propelled by the steady growth in subscriber numbers and investments in newer technology, while the Agricultural Sector expanded due to the sustained intervention of the Government in the agricultural value chain as well as the curtailment of the farmer-herder conflict in food-producing states and increased rainfall, which improved harvest.

The improvement in food production drove inflation downwards as average inflation declined to 11.39% in 2019 from an average of 12.14% in 2018. However, the closure of land borders which is aimed at checking smuggling activities reversed some of the gains achieved in price stability.

The slower pace of inflation provided headroom for the Central Bank to reduce the official monetary policy rate from 14% to 13.5% in the first quarter of the year. The Central Bank also turned to a more accommodative monetary stance, vide directives and regulations, to stimulate economic growth by minimising the crowding-out of the private sector and reducing the private and public cost of borrowing. The CBN prescribed a Loan-to-Funding ratio of 60% to be met in September 2019 and increased the ratio to 65% by December 2019. A punitive levy of an additional Cash Reserve Requirement (CRR) of 50% on the shortfall implied by the target Loan-to-Funding ratio was applied to defaulting banks.

Furthermore, the cost of borrowing trended downwards with the Apex Bank's directive to exclude individuals and local corporates from participating in Open Market Operations (OMO). Money market yields were also impacted by the policy to reduce the remunerable daily Standing Deposit Facility (SDF) to ₦2billion from ₦7.5billion.

The naira was relatively stable during the financial year, but exchange rate pressures intensified as weak oil revenues and slow-down in capital flows by foreign investors reduced the supply of foreign exchange. The Central Bank curtailed the exchange rate pressures by intensifying its intervention in all segments of the foreign exchange market and close monitoring of the liquidity in the banking system.

Correspondingly, the fiscal policy was aligned to stimulate economic growth, with the passage of the 2019 Finance Bill. The Bill seeks to reform domestic tax laws to align with global best practices by mitigating against double taxation and regressive taxation. The Bill is also expected to create tax incentives for small businesses and investments in infrastructure and capital markets. In addition, the Finance Bill will address the government's challenge of a low tax-revenue, by increasing VAT from 5% to 7.5% and by including non-resident companies with a significant economic presence in Nigeria, into the tax net.

Overall, the Nigerian economy recorded moderate improvements in the area of growth, price and exchange rate stability as

well as fiscal stability.

Growing our Pan-African Business

In 2019, we added nearly 4 million new customers, significantly grew the number of individuals and businesses who benefit from our low-cost credit facilities, maintained our premier position as the major driver for e-payments in the country and continued to bolster our footprints across the continent. In the 2019 financial year, our subsidiaries achieved a Profit Before Tax of ₦34.5 billion representing a 32% growth over 2018 Profit Before Tax of ₦26.2 billion. This performance also represented 14.9% contribution to Group's profitability, up from 12.1% in 2018. This was achieved in spite of the tough and challenging operating environment coupled with heightened regulatory and macro-economic issues that were pervasive in these countries.

Guaranty Trust Bank (Côte D'Ivoire) Limited recorded an impressive 181% growth in Profit Before Tax (PBT) from ₦0.47billion in 2018 to ₦1.31billion in 2019, while balance sheet grew significantly by 31% from ₦23.1billion in 2018 to ₦30.3billion in the year under review. Customer deposits remained strong, growing by 29% from ₦15.7billion in 2018 to ₦20.3billion in 2019. Loan to Customers improved significantly by 48% from ₦5.4billion in 2018 to ₦8.1billion in 2019. Return on Assets (Pre-Tax ROA) and Return on Equity (Pre-Tax ROE) for 2019 were 5% and 19% respectively.

Guaranty Trust Bank (Ghana) Limited received four awards in 2019: "Best Digital Bank of the year", "Customer Experience Bank of the year", "Excellence in Innovation and Technology" and "Ghana Club 100 Awards". In terms of financial performance, the Bank grew its profit by 37% from ₦16.5billion in 2018 to ₦22.6billion in 2019, while the balance sheet remained strong with 27% growth in Total Assets, from ₦169.9billion in 2018 to ₦215.4billion in 2019. Loan to customers for the year stood at ₦37.5billion, which was a 19% growth from ₦31.6billion reported in 2018. Customer deposits grew by 14% from ₦123.8billion in 2018 to ₦141.5billion in 2019. Pre-Tax ROA and Pre-Tax ROE for 2019 were 12% and 47% respectively.

Guaranty Trust Bank (Kenya) Limited has both GTBank Uganda and GTBank Rwanda as its subsidiaries. The consolidated PBT figure for GTBank (Kenya) Ltd grew strongly by 101% from ₦1.48billion in 2018 to ₦2.97billion in 2019, while the Bank's balance sheet grew by 15% in Total Assets, from ₦133.7billion in 2018 to ₦153.1billion in 2019. Customer deposits grew by 9% from ₦101.2billion in 2018 to ₦110.6billion in 2019. Loan to customers grew by 7% from ₦69.4billion in 2018 to ₦74.4billion in 2019. Pre-Tax ROA and Pre-Tax ROE for the period under review were 2% and 10% respectively.

Guaranty Trust Bank (Gambia) Limited grew its PBT by 39% from ₦1.1billion in 2018 to ₦1.5billion in 2019 and balance sheet by 12% from ₦44.3billion in 2018 to ₦49.7billion in 2019. Customer deposits grew by 16% from ₦36.6billion in 2018 to ₦42.4billion in 2019 and Loan to customers grew by 51% from ₦5.1billion in 2018 to ₦7.7billion in the year under review. Pre-Tax ROA and Pre-Tax ROE for the period under review were 3% and 27% respectively. Guaranty Trust Bank (Liberia) Limited remained strong with a PBT growth of 12% from ₦1.74billion in 2018 to ₦1.95billion in 2019 and a 2% growth in Total Assets from ₦40.1billion in 2018 to ₦40.8billion in 2019. Loan to customers

for the year stood at ₦24.3billion, which is a 14% decline from ₦27.8billion reported in 2018. Customer deposits grew by 6% from ₦27.7billion in 2018 to ₦29.5billion in 2019. Pre-Tax ROA and Pre-Tax ROE for the period under review were 5% and 21% respectively.

Guaranty Trust Bank (UK) Limited made a PBT of ₦0.98billion. Total assets declined by 5% from ₦213.6billion in 2018 to ₦202.5billion in 2019. Customer deposits also declined by 6% from ₦69.8billion in 2018 to ₦65.8billion in 2019. Loan to customers for the year stood at ₦30.3billion, a 13% decline from ₦35.01billion in 2018. Pre-Tax ROA and Pre-Tax ROE for the period under review were 0.5% and 6% respectively. Guaranty Trust Bank (Tanzania) commenced business operations in December 2017 and made a reduced loss of ₦0.57billion in 2019 compared to ₦0.67billion 2018. With the evident and concerted effort to grow the bank's business, we are optimistic of breaking even in the 2020 financial year.

Guaranty Trust Bank (Sierra Leone) Limited was named the "Fastest Growing Retail Bank Sierra Leone 2019" by Global Banking & Finance Awards, as well as "Best bank in Digital Innovation and Financial Inclusion Program" by The European Global Business Awards, "Best Mobile Initiative" by The Asian Banker and "Commercial Bank of the Year" and "Best Innovation in Retail Banking" awards by International Bankers. In terms of financial performance, the bank showed strength by recording a PBT of ₦3.7billion in the year. Balance sheet grew by 5% in Total Assets, from ₦42.8billion in 2018 to ₦45.16billion in 2019. Customer deposits for the year stood at ₦33.2billion, a 4% growth from ₦31.9billion reported in 2018. Loan to Customers declined by 1% from ₦16.91billion in 2018 to ₦16.78billion in 2019. Pre-Tax ROA and Pre-Tax ROE for the period under review were 8% and 38% respectively.

Strengthening Customer Relationships

The long-term success of any business depends on its ability to constantly add value to customers' lives. In today's dynamic environment, this requires a robust upscale of our digital capabilities as well as centering human experiences at the core of all our touchpoints. In 2019, we focused on pursuing both approaches; constantly fine-tuning our digital offerings to meet customers evolving needs and ensuring that wherever our customers turned to bank – online, on their mobile devices or in our banking halls – we had the right people to make it easy for them to bank with us. For example, alongside reducing the monthly interest rate on Quick Credit from 1.75% to 1.33% monthly so that more people can access our flagship digital-lending product, we also embedded our digital platforms with a new service, **My Account Manager**, which allows customers instantly reach out to someone in the bank with the expertise and experience to assist them on issues regarding their accounts.

Strengthening customer relationships is also about reimagining the value we offer our customers in the long term. This means not only offering new products and services but also finding new and exciting ways to be there for customers at critical moments in their lives. That is why we have removed bank charges for our GTCrea8 Customers, effectively allowing young undergraduates to bank for free. We also extended access to education and health insurance for our Smart Kids Save (SKS) Accounts holder, thereby giving parents more options and greater flexi-

bility around covering their child's education and wellbeing. For professionals and business leaders who bank with us, we are creating ambient meeting spaces in select branches where they can walk into any day and make use of to conduct their businesses. Taking together, this approach to increasing the quality and depth of our customer relationships is deepening our connection to those we serve and ensuring that they can turn to GTBank at all stages of their lives.

Ensuring Organisational Health

For any organisation, great management, as well as organisational health, is critical to long-term success. We have a management that is disciplined and rigorous in finding the balance between demanding service excellence and demonstrating empathy for their subordinates in a performance-driven environment. Our staff are dedicated to transparency, passionate about excellence and committed to the highest standards of ethical conduct — values that form the foundation of trust we have with our customers, our communities and each other. Together, we recognize the value of respectful and inclusive workplaces, where people can speak up for the good of GTBank, and in turn, contribute to the business and the brand in meaningful ways. It is the reason we champion open spaces both in the way our offices are set up, so as to ensure that there are no barriers to speaking up or engaging in civil and respectable discourse.

We are empowering our employees to achieve their long term career goals and ambitions. Our human resources group is constantly building relationships with leading institutions across the globe to give our staff greater access to opportunities for further learning. This, alongside a wide range of bank-sponsored career and personal development courses and training, is among our several significant investments to help our people be the best at what they do today and also stay fully prepared for the rapidly changing nature of work.

As a team, how we bond is just as important as how we work. Staff programmes such as our Orange League Football Tournaments and the Annual Bankwide Strategy Retreat, amongst several others, give employees ample avenues to have fun together, share ideas far beyond their desk duties and build up a strong sense of camaraderie and team spirit to drive our business forward. Our people also come together regularly to make a positive impact in the communities where they live and work. In 2019, for example, our staff raised funds to cover the cost of healthcare for sickle cell patients as part of the Staff Charity Initiative. They also actively participated in our Staff Responsibility Challenge wherein, coming together in groups, they undertook dozens of social projects across the communities where our branches are located. These employee-led social causes reflect the DNA of our bank as an organisation of globally-minded and socially conscious people inspired by the vision to be champions of progress and driven by an unflinching commitment to touching lives.

Giving Back to Society

Our vision of leading the continent in service excellence would be incomplete without our strong commitment to giving back to society in a way that helps people and communities thrive. That

is why Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is hard-wired into our business strategy and a major lens through which we view our role in empowering communities, supporting sustainable development and bringing about a more inclusive and prosperous world. Over the past few years, we have radically transformed our approach to CSR; beyond championing causes in the areas of Community Development, Education, The Arts and The Environment, we are deepening our role in driving growth across key economic sectors where we see immense potential to improve the means of livelihood for our customers and host communities. A detailed summary of our Corporate Social Responsibility interventions for the year is contained in the CSR section of this annual report, however, I will cover a few key points about the impact of our support for small businesses in the food and fashion sectors of the economy.

When we created the GTBank Food and Drink Festival and the GTBank Fashion Weekend as part of our vision of promoting enterprise, we saw not only the immense potential of both sectors to drive shared economic growth but also the tough challenges — around access, markets and profitability — which small business owners, who make up the largest segment of our working population, faced. We understood that if we deployed the full strength of our expertise, networks and resources to address these key challenges we would not only be helping businesses grow, we would be enabling thousands of working families to achieve better living standards.

Five years down the line, the impact of our free business platforms has been phenomenal. By bringing hundreds of thousands of consumers to patronize indigenous ventures year on year, we have helped thousands of small businesses in the food and fashion sectors improve their client base and significantly grow their profits. Thanks to our entrepreneurial masterclasses, our local talents and budding entrepreneurs are gaining the exposure and expertise they need to build sustainable brands which can compete in the world stage. And by building enthralling consumer experiences that bring together some of the biggest and most exciting global personalities in food and fashion, we are putting our local industries, and the vibrant and innovative small businesses behind them, on the global map. This kind of impact is only possible because of the strength of our business and our unflinching commitment to living up to our purpose as a platform for enriching lives.

LOOKING AHEAD: 2020 MACRO-ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

The outbreak of the coronavirus (**Covid-19**) is expected to pose a significant threat to global growth and crude oil prices as public concerns over the virus will trigger travel restrictions and cause industrial activities and supply chains to shut down. International crude oil prices are expected to remain at record-low, except OPEC and its partners agree on reducing supply. The global financial market is projected to remain in turmoil, which will increase the preference for safe-haven currencies and dampen sentiments for emerging market economies. The outbreak of this virus has the potential to intensify exchange rates pressures and create disruptions to companies in the Oil & Gas, Manufacturing and Consumer Goods sectors.

In line with global practices, it is expected that the CBN will roll out monetary stimulus measures to ameliorate the effect of

Covid-19 on the domestic economy. In spite of a stimulus, the effect of this epidemic is likely to pose a significant threat to the achievement of the projected GDP growth rate, which the International Monetary Fund (IMF) revised downwards to 2% from an earlier projection of 2.5%, owing to depressed crude oil prices. The state-owned oil company has positioned itself to compensate for the prevailing downturn in crude oil prices by increasing its Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) production from 22 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) to 30 MTPA, with the commencement of the \$10billion 'train 7 project'. Growth from the Non-Oil sector is expected to be propelled by increased credit to the private sector and low-interest rates on commercial lending. Furthermore, we expect the implementation of the new national minimum wage to bolster consumer spending, which will, in turn, support economic growth, particularly in the trade and manufacturing sectors.

Despite the threats to growth, the Bank will take advantage of opportunities presented in the coming financial year, in order to sustain earnings and profitability, improve asset quality and deliver competitive returns to our esteemed shareholders. As a bank that is focused on ensuring the long-term success of our business, we will continue to build strong, value adding relationships with our customers, stakeholders and the communities in which we operate. This strategy has served us well throughout our three decades of existence, and I believe that it will continue to serve us well into the future.



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SEGUN AGBAJE

MANAGING DIRECTOR/
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

30 YEARS STRONG

Thirty years since the founding of our organisation, we remain as passionate and committed to delivering the optimum value for all our stakeholders, as we were on the first day we opened for business.

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MANAGING DIRECTOR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Shareholders,

I am delighted to welcome you to the 30th Annual General Meeting of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc and present your Bank's scorecard for the 2019 financial year.

This is a symbolic year for our organisation. Thirty years ago, some of the brightest minds this country has ever produced came together to create an oasis of excellence in Africa's financial services sector. Young, dynamic, and driven by values that transcended individual cultures and beliefs, these pioneers disrupted banking as we knew it, enthroned the culture of innovation in the industry and built our organisation on the foundation of a single promise; to enrich lives through service.

Our performance in 2019 reflects the full strength of this promise. We are growing our business in a sustainable way so that we can continue to add immense value to society, whilst generating the returns that you, our shareholders, expect. We are digitally transforming our organisation to efficiently and effectively attend to the ever-evolving needs of our customers in their everyday lives. We are also lending ourselves more strongly than ever to causes within our home communities and beyond, in order to bring about a world that is inclusive, prosperous and environmentally sustainable. As we begin our fourth decade, we remain as passionate and committed to delivering the optimum value for all our stakeholders, as we were on the first day we opened for business.

A review of the results shows positive performance across all financial indices, reaffirming the Bank's position as one of the most profitable and well managed financial institutions in Nigeria. Profit before tax stood at ₦231.7billion, representing a growth of 7.5% over ₦215.6billion recorded in the corresponding year ended December 2018. The Bank's Loan Book grew by 19.0% from ₦1.262trillion in December 2018 to ₦1.502tril-

lion in December 2019, while customers' deposits increased by 11.4% to ₦2.533trillion from ₦2.274trillion in December 2018.

The Bank maintained a well-structured and diversified balance sheet with Total assets and Shareholders' Funds closing at ₦3.759trillion and ₦687.3Billion respectively. Full Impact Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR) remained very strong, closing at 22.5%. In terms of Asset quality, NPL ratio improved to 6.5% in December 2019 from 7.3% in December 2018 while Cost of Risk (COR) remained flat at 0.3%. Complementing the improvement noted in NPLs, the Bank maintained adequate Loan Loss coverage of 126.6% for Lifetime Credit Impaired Loans (NPLs) compared to 105.1% recorded in December 2018. The Bank is proposing a final dividend of ₦2.50k per unit of ordinary share held by shareholders in addition to interim dividend of 30k per unit of ordinary share bringing the total dividend for 2019 financial year to ₦2.80k per unit of ordinary share.

Underpinning our financial performance is the value that we create as a platform for enriching lives. Customers turn to GTBank when it matters most – to take care of their families and everyday needs or to pursue their dreams and grow their businesses. In 2019, we responded to our customers' needs with a commitment to serve them in a way that not only solves their real pain points but also leaves them better off with every interaction. We have fully digitized our retail loan product, Quick Credit, and recently reduced the interest rate from 1.75% monthly to 1.33% monthly (the most competitive rate in the market today), to make it easily accessible for customers. Our thinking here is simple; by making it easier for our customers to access Quick Credit, we are empowering them to not only get by better than ever before but also to take more control over their lives. Today, customers profiled for Quick Credit can get the money they need in real-time via USSD, our online banking channels or at any of our ATMs nationwide. Like all our products and services, Quick Credit continues to evolve with our customers' needs, and now,

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it includes a distinct offering of up to 10 million Naira for small business owners, who oftentimes have to contend with challenges of cash flows for their daily operations.

The needs of businesses, big and small, are very diverse, and so are the business solutions we offer. We remained the preferred banking partner for corporates by bringing our scale, data and people together to deliver more insights, personalized advice and meaningful solutions for our institutional customers. We continue to deepen the support that we offer small businesses; working with the Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN) to provide ₦25 billion financing to entrepreneurs in Nigeria's Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector. We are also leveraging our industry-leading expertise, vast experience and extensive networks to deliver maximum value on the credit provided by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) to entrepreneurs in the Creative Industry. Our goal, working with the CBN, is to bring about a thriving, indigenous creative industry by transforming the sector into a major driver of job creation and economic growth.

Our support for small businesses in the food and fashion sectors remains unrivalled. In many communities, these small businesses are the lifeblood of the economy, rendering essential services and serving as the major means of livelihood for thousands of families. Five years ago, we created free business platforms, the GTBank Food and Drink Festival and the GTBank Fashion Weekend, as part of our goal of promoting enterprise and to help these small businesses thrive. Since then, we have, through our yearly consumer-focused events, provided thousands of small business owners in food and fashion with the right kind of expertise, exposure and access to markets they need to increase their profitability and grow their business in a sustainable way. In 2019 alone, during the 4th edition of the GTBank Food and Drink Festival and the GTBank Fashion Weekend, we brought together more than 700,000 guests to patronise over 500 small businesses, whilst also connecting them with globally renowned food and fashion business experts. Today, our free business platforms have become the premier meeting point for thousands of industry stakeholders from around the world, reflecting the invaluable role we are playing in championing our customers' endeavours and empowering small businesses to be pivots of societal growth. Understanding that entrepreneurs equally need quality advice and insights on how to grow their businesses, we created an SME Advisory Service to provide small business owners with the right kind of people they need to talk to in any area of their business.

Our customers do not live to bank, they bank to live. At GTBank, we know that when our customers walk through our doors, interact with us online or rely on any of our digital services during the course of their day, they are putting their trust in our ability to add value to their lives. In 2019, we sought not only to earn that trust but to make it worth their while by constantly driving frictionless banking experiences across all our channels. In our branches, we are shortening the turnaround time for on-desk requests so that customers spend little to no time picking up their banking essentials. Online, we are constantly updating our web and mobile banking channels with innovative services that give customers more benefits beyond banking, such as access to low-cost insurance packages, as well as the ability to process visa applications, amongst others. For our customers on the go, we have upgraded our ATMs to include biometric authentication so that they can always have access to all our banking services with just their fingerprints.

Banking is changing, and with it what our customers expect from us. The fastest-growing segment of our customer base is made up of young, mobile-first and increasingly tech-savvy customers who are constantly in search of simple and smart solutions to legacy challenges around payments, commerce and access to services. Understanding that efficiently serving this rapidly growing group of customers would take a full-scale reimagining of the value we create, we continued to build partnerships and collaborations to offer more essential products and services than a traditional bank can. For example, our digital platform, Habari, is bringing together service providers and consumers across entertainment, e-commerce and other retail services, to create more value for everyone. Ultimately our goal with Habari and the digital transformation of our services is to design and deploy solutions that connect people to the entire value chain of their everyday needs but also delivers the best in customer experience. We are excited by how this can transform our business in the future, positioning us at the centre of our customer's most important digital interactions, and, thereby, ensuring that we become even more relevant to them in the long-term.

Building up our digital capabilities is only one part of delivering the utmost in customer experience. How we listen to, relate with and learn from our customers is even more crucial. That is why we are embedding the human touch at the heart of all our digital touchpoints in order to constantly grow our interactions with our customers. The "My Account Manager" service is a great example of our efforts to create this fusion of our digital channels and human experience. Built-in on our mobile banking application, "My Account Manager" gives customers a direct line to speak with someone in the bank who has the expertise and experience to offer sound financial advice. We are also leveraging the WhatsApp platform to grow our interactions with our customers, yes to speed up how quickly we treat their service requests, but also to build trust and improve how we serve them.

Delivering the utmost in customer experience is also about designing services that reflect the individual motivations, expectations and needs of those we serve, even when they are children with accounts held in trust by their parents. During the year, we launched a digital playground for kids—the first in Africa—to help them build better communication and problem-solving skills, whilst exposing them to new and emerging digital technologies. We also expanded the benefits of the children's Smart Kids Save (SKS) Account to include discounted health and educational insurance for kids, as well as a multi-currency savings option. The banking experience we are providing for young adults is even more transformational. In October, we removed all bank charges for young undergraduates on our GTCRea8 Accounts package, thereby enabling them to bank for free. The reason for doing this is two-fold; first to expand access to the financial services sector for young people, who form the largest segment of our unbanked population, and more importantly to create a new kind of banking experience that enables us to seamlessly onboard new customers, provide them with personalized value-added services and enrich every aspect of their lives.

No organisation succeeds in the long term without recognizing the integral role it plays in society. At GTBank we take this role seriously, and in the same way in which we champion our customers' ambitions and work every day to provide them with first-class service, so too do we constantly look for new and impactful ways to touch lives and uplift communities, especially those on the margins of society. During the year, we continued to expand on our longstanding CSR initiatives, such as the Orange Ribbon

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Initiative, which, for a decade, has been at the forefront of the campaign to bring about a world devoid of stigma and filled with support for people living with Autism. One of the great things about our support for people living with autism is that it continues to evolve with every stage of their lives. For example, our latest focus has been on the challenges children living with autism face as they transition to adulthood, and during the year we brought together medical experts and caregivers from around the world to brainstorm, share ideas and proffer solutions on how to help these soon-to-be adults develop critical life skills for leading independent and productive lives.

Our commitment to ensuring that every child has access to quality education remains just as strong. Every year, we pursue our goal around improving educational outcomes for disadvantaged children, and in 2019, our focus was on easing the difficulties children in rural communities face with mobility to school and back. Through our campaign, tagged #BeatTheDistance, we provided children in communities across the country with bicycles to ease the difficulties they face going to school and back. By doing this, we are empowering these children to beat the distance, not just to school, but between their present realities and their immense potential.

In a world where change is constant, having the right people in the right roles is key to how we create more value for all our stakeholders. Our success in 2019 and over the years is down to the hard work of thousands of incredibly talented and totally dedicated GTBank staff. Their hard work, rooted in our values of excellence and integrity, and informed by our mission of building an oasis in Africa's financial services sector, is a big part of the reason we are a driver of prosperity, an enabler of economic transformation, and a key stakeholder in societal development. Throughout the year, we remained focused on building an inclusive bank where every colleague feels welcome and able to thrive. These efforts allow us to create a culture of empowerment in which our employees can acquire the skills they need to

thrive in a changing world.

In recognition of our collective efforts at building a Proudly African and Truly International Bank, we received numerous International awards from reputable organisations for product and service innovation and sound corporate governance principles. During the year, we were named the "Best Bank in Africa" and "Best Bank in Nigeria" at the 2019 Euromoney Awards, becoming the first bank in the country to win both awards in a calendar year. We were also recognised as the Best Banking Group and Best Retail Bank in Nigeria by the World Finance Magazine and, for the third year in a row, we dominated the Central Bank of Nigeria's Electronic Payment Incentive Scheme (EPIS) Efficiency Awards, taking home 8 of the 12 awards available for banks.

Looking ahead. We have a brand that stands apart and a business that is built to deliver sustainable growth for decades to come. Our long-term commitment to supporting our customers, opening doors to new opportunities for our communities and enabling businesses to thrive remains just as strong. That said, we expect this year to be our toughest yet; whilst in the past, we had to contend with a difficult operating environment, regulatory headwinds and political uncertainties, we now have in addition to these perennial worries, a new competitive landscape. However, armed with the exceptional talents and total dedication of our staff, the trust and loyalty of our customers and your continued support, I remain optimistic about our future and the opportunities for us, even in the midst of these challenges.

I believe in the resilience of our organisation and its ability to achieve great things, and as we begin a new decade in the life of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc, I am more convinced looking at our progress over the past 30 years, that we will lead the future of banking.

Thank you.



DIRECTORS' REPORT



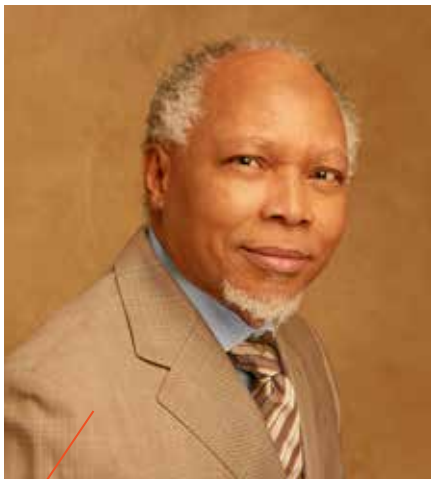
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COMPANY SECRETARY

For the financial year ended December 31, 2019

The Directors of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc ("the Bank") are pleased to present their report on the affairs of the Bank and its subsidiaries ("the Group"), together with the Group audited financial statements and the auditor's report for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Legal form and principal activity

Guaranty Trust Bank Plc was incorporated as a private limited liability company on July 20, 1990, and obtained a license to operate as a commercial bank on August 1, 1990. The Bank commenced operations on February 11, 1991. It became a public limited company on April 2, 1996, with the listing of its shares on The Nigerian Stock Exchange on September 9, 1996. The Bank was issued a Universal Banking license by the Central Bank of Nigeria on February 5, 2001.

The Bank was issued a Commercial Banking License with International Scope on December 20, 2012, by the Central Bank of Nigeria, following the divestment from all its non-banking subsidiaries in compliance with the Central Bank of Nigeria Regulation on Scope of Banking Activities and other Ancillary Matters.

The Bank's principal activity remains the provision of commercial banking services to its customers, such as retail banking, granting of loans and advances, corporate finance, money market activities and related services, as well as foreign exchange operations.

The Bank has the following overseas subsidiaries: Guaranty Trust Bank (Gambia) Limited, Guaranty Trust Bank (Sierra Leone) Limited, Guaranty Trust Bank (Ghana) Limited, Guaranty Trust Bank (United Kingdom) Limited, Guaranty Trust Bank (Liberia) Limited, Guaranty Trust Bank (Ivory Coast) Limited, Guaranty Trust Bank (Kenya) Limited, Guaranty Trust Bank (Rwanda) Limited, Guaranty Trust Bank (Uganda) Limited and Guaranty Trust Bank (Tanzania) Limited.

The financial results of all the subsidiaries have been consolidated in these financial statements.

Operating results

The snapshot of the Group's operating results for the year ended December 31, 2019, are shown below:

	Group Dec-19 ₦'000	Group Dec-18 ₦'000	Parent Dec-19 ₦'000	Parent Dec-18 ₦'000
Gross Earnings	435,306,541	434,698,969	350,926,907	356,380,233
Profit before income tax	231,707,834	215,586,770	200,177,890	189,971,170
Income tax expense	(34,842,168)	(30,875,741)	(25,052,609)	(23,218,086)
Profit for the year from continuing operation	196,865,666	184,711,029	175,125,281	166,753,084
Loss for the year from discontinuing operation	(16,385)	-	-	-
Profit for the year	196,849,281	184,711,029	175,125,281	166,753,084
Profit attributable to:				
Equity holders of the parent entity	195,382,285	183,922,718	175,125,281	166,753,084
Non-controlling interests	1,466,996	788,311	-	-
Earnings Per Share (Kobo) - Basic	696	654	595	567
Earnings Per Share (Kobo) - Diluted	696	654	595	567

Dividends

During the 2019 financial year, Directors declared and paid an interim dividend of 30 kobo per ordinary share on the issued capital of 29,431,179,224 Ordinary Shares of 50 Kobo, for the half-year period ended June 30, 2019.

Withholding tax was deducted at the time of payment.

There was no income tax consequence on the Bank as a result of the dividend pay-out, as the Bank is only required to deduct this tax at source on behalf of Tax authorities in Nigeria. The tax so withheld represents advance payment of income tax by the recipient shareholders.

The Directors recommend the payment of a final dividend of ₦2.50k (Two Naira, Fifty Kobo Only) per ordinary share of 50 Kobo bringing the total dividend for the financial year ended December 31, 2019 to ₦2.80k (2018: ₦2.75k per share). Withholding tax would be deducted at the point of payment.

Directors and their interest

The Directors who held office during the year, together with their direct and indirect interests in the issued share capital (including the Global Depository Receipts (GDRs)) of the Company as recorded in the register of Directors' Shareholding and/or as notified by the Directors for the purposes of sections 275 and 276 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act and the listing requirements of The Nigerian Stock Exchange is noted below:

Names	Direct Holding	*Indirect Holding	Direct Holding	*Indirect Holding
	December 2019	December 2019	December 2018	December 2018
	Shares of 50k each		Shares of 50k each	
1 Mrs. O. A. Demuren	868,295	-	356,581	-
2 Mr. Olusegun Agbaje	32,146,651	9,481,350	32,146,651	9,481,350
3 Mr. Adebayo Adeola	2,681,640	-	3,181,640	-
4 Mr. Ibrahim Hassan	630,838	-	630,838	-
5 Mr. Olabode Augusto	200,000	-	200,000	-
6 Mr. H. A. Oyinlola	-	-	-	-
7 Ms. Imoni Akpofure	-	-	-	-
8 Mr. B. T. Soyoye	-	-	-	-
9 Mrs. V. O. Adefala	160,000	-	160,000	-
10 Mr. Demola Odeyemi	7,661,601	1,688,550	7,661,601	1,688,550
11 Mr. Haruna Musa	102,875	12,500	2,875	12,500
12 Mr. Bolaji Lawal	137,382	116,400	137,382	116,400
13 Mrs. Miriam Olusanya	247,866	234,350	247,866	234,350
14 Mr. Babajide Okuntola	-	-	-	-

*Indirect shareholding includes underlying shares of GDRs (Global Depository Receipts)
There has been no material changes to Directors' shareholdings within the year under review.

Directors' Remuneration

The Bank ensures that remuneration paid to its Directors complies with the provisions of the codes of corporate governance issued by its regulators.

In compliance with Section 34(5) of the Code of Corporate Governance for Public Companies as issued by Securities and Exchange Commission, the Bank makes disclosure of the remuneration paid to its directors as follows:

Type of package	Description	Timing
Fixed		
Basic Salary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part of gross salary package for Executive Directors only. Reflects the banking industry competitive salary package and the extent to which the Bank's objectives have been met for the financial year 	Paid monthly during the financial year
13th month salary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part of gross salary package for Executive Directors only. Reflects the banking industry competitive salary package and the extent to which the Bank's objectives have been met for the financial year 	Paid last month of the financial year
Director fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paid annually on the day of the Annual General Meeting ('AGM') to Non-Executive Directors only 	Paid annually on the day of the AGM
Sitting allowances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allowances paid to Non-Executive Directors only for attending Board and Board Committee Meetings. 	Paid after each Meeting

Changes on the Board

In the course of the financial year ended December 31, 2019, there was no change on the Board of the Bank.

Retirement by Rotation

The provisions of Article 84(b) of the Articles of Association of the Bank provides that one third of the Directors (excluding Exec-

utive Directors) or if their number is not a multiple of three, the number nearest to but not greater than one third, should retire from office at each biennial Annual General Meeting. In view of the fact that we had two Directors retire by rotation at the 29th Annual General Meeting, in compliance with this section, no Director would be retiring by rotation at the 30th Annual General Meeting.

Shareholding analysis

The analysis of the distribution of the shares of the Bank as at December 31, 2019, is as follows:

	Number of Shareholders	% of Shareholder	Number of Holdings	% Shareholding
1 - 10,000	250,078	77.0125	748,308,663	2.54
10,001 - 50,000	56,422	17.3754	1,215,448,657	4.13
50,001 - 100,000	8,726	2.6872	612,918,252	2.08
100,001 - 500,000	7,444	2.2924	1,517,706,588	5.16
500,001 - 1,000,000	891	0.2744	617,206,536	2.10
1,000,001 - 5,000,000	852	0.2624	1,758,230,238	5.97
5,000,001 - 10,000,000	111	0.0342	751,103,167	2.55
10,000,001 - 50,000,000	133	0.0410	3,084,319,225	10.48
50,000,001 - 100,000,000	32	0.0099	2,317,186,487	7.87
100,000,001 - 500,000,000	26	0.0080	5,221,904,075	17.74
500,000,001 - 1,000,000,000	4	0.0012	2,570,150,109	8.73
1,000,000,001 - 2,000,000,000	3	0.0009	4,415,581,483	15.00
2,000,000,001 - 5,000,000,000	1	0.0003	2,480,508,657	8.42
SUB TOTAL :-	324,723	99.9997	27,310,572,137	92.79
GTBank GDR UNDERLYING SHARES	1	0.0003	2,120,607,087	7.21
TOTAL	324,724	100.0000	29,431,179,224	100.00

According to the Register of Members as at December 31, 2019, no individual shareholder held more than 5% of the issued share capital of the Bank except for the following:

SHAREHOLDER	NO. OF SHARES HELD	PERCENTAGE OF SHAREHOLDING
GTBank GDR (underlying shares)	2,120,607,087	7.21
Stanbic Nominees Nigeria Limited	7,726,815,691	26.25

Citibank Nigeria Limited ("Citibank") held the 2,120,607,087 units of shares in its capacity as custodian for the underlying shares of the Global Depository Receipts (GDRs) issued by the Bank in July 2007, and listed on the London Stock Exchange. Citibank does not exercise any investor rights over the underlying shares as beneficial owner. All the rights reside with the various GDR holders who have the right to convert their GDRs to ordinary shares.

Stanbic Nominees Nigeria Limited ("Stanbic") held 26.25% of the Bank's shares largely in trading accounts on behalf of various investors.

Donations and charitable gifts

In order to identify with the aspirations of various sections of the society, the Group donated a total sum of ₦505,365,414 (December 31 2018: ₦928,078,323) as donations and charitable contributions during the year. It comprises contributions to Educational organisations, Art and Cultural organisations amongst others.

A listing of the beneficiary organisations and the amounts donated to them is shown in the table:

SECTOR	BENEFICIARY/PROJECT	AMOUNT (N)
Arts	Art 635 Gallery	500,000
Community Development	Maternal & Child Health Support	2,282,500
	Orange Cycle Initiative	18,618,628
	Orange Heart Initiative - Sickle Cell	88,100
	Orange Ribbon - Autism Project	92,991,610
	Simple Change	422,200
	Touching Lives	3,469,580
	You Read Initiative	554,400
	LASG Women Economic Empowerment	500,000
	Red Cross Partnership	74,348,469
	Nigerian Police	3,132,000
	Health Care Support	2,100,000
	Sketch To Fame	300,000
	Nigerian Girls Guide	200,000
	Rotary Club	50,000
	Africa Centre Development	75,000,000
	NCF Corporate Membership	500,000
	Medical Womens Association	100,000
	Lagos State Security Trust Fund	100,000,000
	Massey Hospital Support	833,000
Education	Adopt-a-School	1,896,500
	Financial Literacy	9,464,136
	Masters Cup	66,917,668
	School Support	27,053,022
	You Read Initiative	559,500
	CIBN	10,000,000
	World Savings Day	1,005,000
Others	Sport Support	500,000
	CSR Report	735,000
	UNEP FI Membership	10,951,676
	Others	292,425
Grand Total		505,365,414

Post balance sheet events

There were no post balance sheet events which could have a material effect on the financial position of the Group as at December 31, 2019 and profit attributable to equity holders on the date other than as disclosed in the financial statements.

Research and development

The Bank - on a continuous basis - carries out research into new banking products and services.

Gender Analysis

The number and percentage of males and females employed as at December 31, 2019 vis-a-vis total workforce is as follows:

	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
	Number			Percentage	
Employees	1,907	1,602	3,509	54%	46%

Gender analysis in terms of Board and Top Management as at December 31, 2019 is as follows:

	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
	Number			Percentage	
Board	10	4	14	71%	29%
Top Management (AGM - GM)	34	22	56	61%	39%
Total	44	26	70	63%	37%

Detailed Gender analysis in terms of Board and Top Management as at December 31, 2019 is as follows:

	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
	Number			Percentage	
Assistant General Manager	14	11	25	56%	44%
Deputy General Manager	11	9	20	55%	45%
General Manager	9	2	11	82%	18%
Executive Director	4	1	5	80%	20%
Managing Director	1	0	1	100%	0%
Non-Executive Directors	5	3	8	63%	37%
Total	44	26	70	63%	37%

Human Resources Policy

(1) Recruitment

The Bank conforms with all regulatory requirements in the employment of staff, whilst also ensuring that only fit and proper persons are approved for appointment to board or top management positions. All prescribed pre-employment screening for prospective employees and other requirements for regulatory confirmation of top management appointments are duly implemented.

(2) Diversity and Inclusion

The Bank treats all employees, prospective employees and customers fairly and equally, regardless of their gender, sexual orientation, family status, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religious belief, age, physical or mental disability, or any such factor.

The Bank seeks to achieve a minimum of 30% and 40% female representation at Board and Top Management levels respectively, subject to identification of candidates with appropriate skills. For the purpose of this statement, "Board" refers to Managing Director/CEO, Executive Directors and Non-Executive Directors while "Top Management" refers to General Manager, Deputy General Manager and Assistant General Manager grades.

(3) Employment of Physically Challenged Persons

The Bank operates a non-discriminatory policy in the consideration of applications for employment, including those received from physically challenged persons.

In the event of any employee becoming physically challenged in the course of employment, where possible, the bank is in a position to arrange training to ensure the continuous employment of such a person without subjecting him/her to any disadvantage in his/her career development. In the year under review, the Bank had three persons on its staff list with physical challenges.

(4) Employee Involvement and Training

The Bank encourages participation of employees in arriving at decisions in respect of matters affecting their well-being through various forums including town hall meetings. Towards this end, the Bank provides opportunities where employees deliberate on issues affecting the Bank and employee interests, with a view to making inputs to decisions thereon.

The Bank places a high premium on the development of its workforce. Consequently, the Bank sponsored its employees for various training courses, both locally and overseas, in the year under review. The Bank has also gone into partnership with top-notch executive business schools in Europe and North America to deliver world-class technical and leadership training to employees in Nigeria.

(5) Health, Safety and Welfare of Employees

The Bank maintains business premises designed with a view to guaranteeing the safety and healthy living conditions of its employees and customers alike. Employees are adequately insured against occupational and other hazards. In addition, the Bank provides medical facilities to its employees and their immediate families at its expense. In line with the status of the Bank as a family-friendly organisation, we operate a crèche facility at our Head Office and Ilupeju Branch and have plans to expand to other locations in due course. There is a state-of-the-art gymnasium for staff at our Head Office. This is in addition to the registration of staff members at fitness centres (within their vicinity) and social clubs towards achieving employee wellness.

The Bank has in place a number of training programmes, workshops and enlightenment programmes/publications designed to equip staff members with basic health management tips, First Aid, fire prevention and other occupational safety skills. Fire prevention and fire-fighting equipment are installed in strategic locations within the Bank's premises.

The Bank operates a Group Life and Group Personal Accident (formerly known as Workmen's Compensation) Insurance covers and Employee Compensation Act contributions for the benefits of its employees. It also operates a contributory pension plan in line with the Pension Reform Act 2004 (amended in 2014) as well as a terminal gratuity scheme for its employees

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD



Erhi Obebeduo

Company Secretary
FRC/2017/NBA/00000016024
Plot 635, Akin Adesola Street, Victoria Island, Lagos
February 18, 2020

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in Relation to the Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019

The Directors accept responsibility for the preparation of the financial statements set out from pages 76 – 315 that give a true and fair view in accordance with the requirements of the International Financial Reporting Standards.

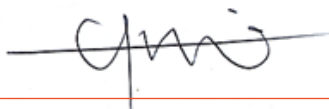
The Directors further accept responsibility for maintaining adequate accounting records as required by the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

Going Concern:

The Directors have made assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern and have no reason to believe that the Bank will not remain a going concern in the years ahead.

Resulting from the above, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue operations for the foreseeable future. Thus, directors continued the adoption of the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTORS BY:



HARUNA MUSA
FRC/2017/CIBN/00000016515
18 February, 2020



SEGUN AGBAJE
FRC/2013/CIBN/00000001782
18 February, 2020

REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

For the year ended December 31, 2019

To the members of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc

In accordance with the provisions of Section 359 (6) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2004, the members of the Audit Committee of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc hereby report as follows:

- We have exercised our statutory functions under Section 359 (6) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2004 and acknowledge the co-operation of management and staff in the conduct of these responsibilities.
- We are of the opinion that the accounting and reporting policies of the Bank and Group are in accordance with legal requirements and agreed ethical practices and that the scope and planning of both the external and internal audits for the year ended December 31, 2019 were satisfactory and reinforce the Group's internal control systems.
- We are satisfied that the Bank has complied with the provisions of Central Bank of Nigeria circular BSD/1/2004 dated 18 February, 2004 on "Disclosure of directors' related credits in the financial statements of banks", and hereby confirm that an aggregate amount of N155,615,000 (31 December, 2018: N179,316,000) was outstanding as at 31 December, 2019. The status of performance of insider related credits is as disclosed in Note 46d.
- We have deliberated with the External Auditors, who have confirmed that necessary cooperation was received from management in the course of their statutory audit and we are satisfied with management's responses to the External Auditor's recommendations on accounting and internal control matters and with the effectiveness of the Bank's system of accounting and internal control.



Mrs. Sandra Mbagwu-Fagbemi

Chairman, Audit Committee

February 18, 2020

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Members of the Audit Committee are:

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|----|---|---|------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. | Mrs. Sandra Mbagwu-Fagbemi ¹ | } | - Chairman | |
| 2. | Alhaji M.A. Usman ² | | } | Shareholder's Representatives |
| 3. | Mrs. A. Kuye | | | |
| 4. | Mr. Bode Augusto | | | |
| 5. | Ibrahim Hassan | | | |
| 6. | Ms. Imoni Akpofure | | | |

¹ Appointed as the Chairman of the Committee at the Meeting which held in July, 2019

² Stepped down from the chairmanship position in July 2019, however remains a member of the Committee



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To the Shareholders of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc,

Report of External Consultants on the Board Performance Appraisal of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc

We have performed the appraisal of the Board of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc for the year ended 31st December, 2019 in accordance with the guidelines of Section 2.8.3 of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Revised Code of Corporate Governance (CCG) 2014.

The Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Revised Code of Corporate Governance (CCG) 2014 mandates an annual appraisal of the Board and individual directors of Financial Institutions with specific focus on the Board structure and composition, responsibilities, processes, relationships, individual director's competences and respective roles in the performance of the Board. Subsection 2.8.2 of the code requires each board to *"identify and adopt in the light of the company's future strategy, critical success factors or key strategic objectives"* while subsection 2.8.3 requires that such appraisal should be conducted by an independent consultant.

Our approach included the review of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc's Corporate Governance framework, and all relevant policies and procedures. We obtained written representation through online questionnaires administered to the Board members and conducted one on one interviews with the directors and key personnel of the Company.

The evaluation is limited in nature, and as such may not necessarily disclose all significant matters about the company or reveal irregularities, if any, in the underlying information.

On the basis of our work, except as noted below, the Board of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc has complied with the requirements of Section 2.8.3 of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Revised Code of Corporate Governance (CCG) 2014 during the year ended 31st December, 2019.

Specific recommendations for the further improvement of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc's Corporate Governance practices have been articulated and included in our detailed report to the Board. These recommendations cover the following areas: Board meeting attendance, Director Trainings, and Board Committee composition.

This report should be read in conjunction with the Corporate Governance section of the Guaranty Trust Bank Annual Report.

For: Ernst & Young

Benson Uwheru
Partner, Advisory Services
FRC/2013/CIBN/00000001554



Independent auditor's report

To the Members of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc

Report on the audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated and separate financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated and separate financial position of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc (“the bank”) and its subsidiaries (together “the group”) as at 31 December 2019, and of their consolidated and separate financial performance and their consolidated and separate cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act and the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act.

What we have audited

Guaranty Trust Bank Plc’s consolidated and separate financial statements comprise:

- the consolidated and separate statements of financial position as at 31 December 2019;
 - the consolidated and separate income statements for the year then ended;
 - the consolidated and separate statements of other comprehensive income for the year then ended;
 - the consolidated and separate statements of changes in equity for the year then ended;
 - the consolidated and separate statements of cash flows for the year then ended; and
 - the notes to the consolidated and separate financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies.
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Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor’s responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards), i.e. the IESBA Code issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code.

PricewaterhouseCoopers Chartered Accountants, Landmark Towers, 5B Water Corporation Road,
Victoria Island, Lagos, Nigeria

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p>Impairment of loans and advances to customers (N67.19billion)</p> <p>We focused on this area due to the size of the loans and advances balance net of impairment (N1.50trillion) and because it requires significant judgement in terms of the timing and amount recognised.</p> <p>We also focused on this area because IFRS 9 expected credit loss (ECL) model required significant judgement in measuring credit risk of loans and advances. Key areas of judgement include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determination of the default definition against the 90 days past due rebuttable presumption; • Determination of the credit quality of facilities and measurement of the default risk of obligors; • Assessment of significant increase in credit risk (SICR); • Incorporation of forward-looking information in building the economic scenarios within the model, as well as determining the probability weighting used in the ECL model; • Determination of the 12 month and Lifetime probability of default (PD) used in the ECL model; • Determination of the Exposure at Default (EAD) by discounting all future cashflows at the reporting date with the effective interest rate, as well as assessing the Credit Conversion Factor (CCF) for off-balance sheet facilities; and • Estimation of the Loss Given Default (LGD) by considering collateral values having adjusted for haircut and time value <p>See notes 3(b(j)), 4(f), 6, 11 and 29 to the consolidated and separate financial statements. This is considered a key audit matter in the consolidated and separate financial statements.</p>	<p>We adopted a combined controls and substantive approach in assessing the loan loss impairment made by management.</p> <p>We assessed management’s default definition against the 90 days past due rebuttable presumption as prescribed by IFRS 9 and other qualitative default indicators as stipulated in the standard. We also assessed the criteria applied by management in determining significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition on loans that do not have objective evidence of impairment.</p> <p>We evaluated and tested the design and operating effectiveness of the controls that management has established in respect of ECL model governance particularly restriction of access to modify the ECL algorithm.</p> <p>We applied a risk-based testing approach to evaluate the reasonableness of the internal rating model by selecting a sample of credit facilities and reviewing related customer files and account statements to test the identification of default and SICR. We checked the details of the borrowers’ account history, the nature of the facility, the industry and other factors that could indicate deterioration in the financial condition of the borrowers and their capacity to repay.</p> <p>For other facilities not subjected to detailed review of customer files, we assessed a sample from this population for impairment triggers using computer assisted audit techniques.</p> <p>Using our credit modelling experts, we checked the calculation of the EAD, PD and LGD in the ECL model .</p> <p>Our other audit procedures around the ECL model included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing the ECL model source code to evaluate the model calculations against our understanding of the ECL model; • Evaluating the multiple economic scenarios chosen as well as the weightings applied to non-linear losses by reviewing the robustness of the methodology used in establishing probability weights/economic



scenarios and benchmarking the probability weights with industry average; and

- Re-performing certain model calculations for PD, LGD and EAD to confirm the risk parameter outputs.
- We reviewed the CCF applied in modelling the EAD for undrawn commitments, as well as the uncrystallised exposures for other off-balance facilities.

We tested the valuation of collaterals and other evidence of future cash flows by assessing the reasonableness of the assumptions applied in determining the collateral valuations. We considered the market values of comparative assets within similar locations, the state of the assets held as collateral and the recovery period of one year applied in assessing the realizable period of disposed collaterals.

We reviewed the IFRS 9 disclosures for reasonableness.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises Corporate governance, Subsidiary governance, Sustainability report, Reports and feedback, Anti-money laundering and combating terrorist financing framework, Internal control and risk management systems, Directors' report, Statement of Directors' responsibilities, Report of the audit committee, Value added statements, Five year financial summary, Regulatory requirements under the IFRS regime, Statement of prudential adjustment, Operational risk management, Agents and agents' locations, Activities of card operations, Shareholders information, and Corporate social responsibility (but does not include the consolidated and separate financial statements and our auditor's report thereon), which we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, and the other sections of the Guaranty Trust Bank Plc 2019 Annual Report, which are expected to be made available to us after that date.

Our opinion on the consolidated and separate financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not and will not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated and separate financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

When we read the other sections of the Guaranty Trust Bank Plc 2019 Annual Report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

Responsibilities of the directors and those charged with governance for the consolidated and separate financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated and separate financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act, the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated and separate financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



In preparing the consolidated and separate financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated and separate financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated and separate financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated and separate financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated and separate financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated and separate financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated and separate financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated and separate financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.



From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

The Companies and Allied Matters Act and the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act require that in carrying out our audit we consider and report to you on the following matters. We confirm that:

- i) we have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit;
- ii) the bank has kept proper books of account, so far as appears from our examination of those books and returns adequate for our audit have been received from branches not visited by us;
- iii) the bank's statement of financial position, income statements and statement of comprehensive income are in agreement with the books of account;
- iv) the information required by Central Bank of Nigeria Circular BSD/1/2004 on insider related credits is disclosed in Note 46 to the consolidated and separate financial statements; and
- v) as disclosed in Note 47 to the consolidated and separate financial statements, the bank paid penalties in respect of contraventions of certain sections of the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act and relevant circulars issued by the Central Bank of Nigeria during the year ended 31 December 2019.

Obioma Ubah

For: **PricewaterhouseCoopers**
Chartered Accountants
Lagos, Nigeria



28 February 2020

Engagement Partner: Obioma Ubah
FRC/2013/ICAN/00000002002



FINANCIALS

Statements of financial position

As at 31 December 2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notes	Group Dec-2019	Restated ¹ Group Dec-2018	Restated ¹ Group Jan-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Restated ¹ Parent Dec-2018	Restated ¹ Parent Jan-2018
Assets							
Cash and bank balances	23	593,551,117	676,989,012	641,973,784	396,915,777	457,497,929	455,296,196
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	73,486,101	11,314,814	23,945,661	44,717,688	8,920,153	16,652,356
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	3,854,921	2,839,078	26,011,823	3,854,921	2,839,078
Investment securities:							
– Fair Value through profit or loss	26	33,084,367	2,620,200	-	33,084,367	2,620,200	-
– Fair Value through other comprehensive income	26	585,392,248	536,084,955	517,492,733	495,731,932	459,629,259	453,089,625
– Held at amortised cost	26	145,561,232	98,619,509	96,466,598	2,003,583	2,003,272	2,007,253
Assets pledged as collateral	27	58,036,855	56,777,170	58,976,175	57,790,749	56,291,739	58,961,722
Loans and advances to banks	28	1,513,310	2,994,642	750,361	72,451	46,074	43,480
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,500,572,046	1,259,010,359	1,448,533,430	1,300,820,647	1,067,999,019	1,265,971,688
Restricted deposits and other assets	34	577,433,006	508,678,702	444,946,897	552,105,755	494,969,807	433,528,669
Investment in subsidiaries	30	-	-	-	55,814,032	55,814,032	46,207,004
Property and equipment	31	141,774,863	111,825,917	98,669,998	122,633,438	96,300,538	84,979,798
Intangible assets	32	20,245,232	16,402,621	14,834,954	9,546,253	5,635,606	4,501,296
Deferred tax assets	33	2,256,570	2,169,819	1,666,990	-	-	-
		3,758,918,770	3,287,342,641	3,351,096,659	3,097,248,495	2,711,582,549	2,824,078,165
Assets classified as held for sale and discontinued operations	34(b)	-	-	-	-	938,945	850,820
Total assets		3,758,918,770	3,287,342,641	3,351,096,659	3,097,248,495	2,712,521,494	2,824,928,985
Liabilities							
Deposits from banks	35	107,518,398	82,803,047	85,430,514	15,200	735,929	42,360
Deposits from customers	36	2,532,540,384	2,273,903,143	2,062,047,633	2,086,810,070	1,865,816,172	1,697,560,947
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	1,865,419	2,647,469	1,615,735	1,865,419	2,647,469
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	3,752,666	2,606,586	2,315,541	3,752,666	2,606,586
Other liabilities	38	233,425,713	140,447,508	224,116,829	205,817,828	122,178,733	205,147,602
Current income tax liabilities	21	20,597,088	22,650,861	24,147,356	19,748,074	22,511,233	24,009,770
Debt securities issued		-	-	92,131,923	-	-	92,131,923
Other borrowed funds	40	162,999,909	178,566,800	220,491,914	162,742,565	177,361,218	210,671,384
Deferred tax liabilities	33	10,568,534	7,075,956	17,437,766	12,293,886	7,178,560	12,176,307
		3,071,581,302	2,711,065,400	2,731,057,990	2,491,358,899	2,201,399,930	2,246,994,348
Liabilities classified as held for sale and discontinued operations	34(b)	-	-	-	-	935,725	847,600
Total liabilities		3,071,581,302	2,711,065,400	2,731,057,990	2,491,358,899	2,202,335,655	2,247,841,948

Statements of financial position (Continued)

As at 31 December 2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notes	Group Dec-2019	Restated ¹ Group Dec-2018	Restated ¹ Group Jan-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Restated ¹ Parent Dec-2018	Restated ¹ Parent Jan-2018
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent entity							
Share capital	41	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590
Share premium		123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114
Treasury shares		(6,531,749)	(5,583,635)	(5,291,245)	-	-	-
Retained earnings		119,247,653	107,248,944	123,257,080	78,110,906	78,012,269	108,104,500
Other components of equity		422,704,836	323,991,767	352,403,527	389,591,986	293,986,866	330,795,833
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent entity		673,607,444	563,843,780	608,556,066	605,889,596	510,185,839	577,087,037
Non-controlling interests in equity		13,730,024	12,433,461	11,482,603	-	-	-
Total equity		687,337,468	576,277,241	620,038,669	605,889,596	510,185,839	577,087,037
Total equity and liabilities		3,758,918,770	3,287,342,641	3,351,096,659	3,097,248,495	2,712,521,494	2,824,928,985

Approved by the Board of Directors on 18 February 2020:



Chief Financial Officer
Banji Adeniyi
FRC/2013/CAN/00000004318



Executive Director
Haruna Musa
FRC/2017/CIBN/00000016515



Group Managing Director
Segun Agbaje
FRC/2013/CIBN/00000001782

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

¹See Note 50

Income statement

For the Year ended 31 December 2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notes	Group Dec-2019	Restated ¹ Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Restated ¹ Parent Dec-2018
Interest income calculated using effective interest rate	9	291,658,237	303,435,736	238,302,860	255,887,904
Interest income on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	9	4,546,462	3,527,746	2,874,753	2,123,082
Interest expense	10	(64,841,597)	(84,529,681)	(51,859,584)	(69,655,064)
Net interest income		231,363,102	222,433,801	189,318,029	188,355,922
Loan impairment charges	11	(4,911,666)	(4,906,485)	(2,221,501)	(1,504,303)
Net interest income after loan impairment charges		226,451,436	217,527,316	187,096,528	186,851,619
Fee and commission income	12	62,418,779	52,367,605	44,919,113	36,110,550
Fee and commission expense	13	(2,975,272)	(1,897,532)	(1,788,175)	(957,708)
Net fee and commission income		59,443,507	50,470,073	43,130,938	35,152,842
Net gains on financial instruments held at fair value through profit or loss	14	20,889,849	24,583,974	9,971,086	16,652,294
Other income	15	55,793,214	50,783,908	54,859,095	45,606,403
Net impairment reversal/(charge) on other financial assets	16	100,473	(650,015)	362,254	120,299
Personnel expenses	17	(37,284,204)	(36,856,121)	(23,330,656)	(23,681,401)
Right-of-use asset amortisation	18	(2,114,007)	-	(921,610)	-
Operating lease expenses	18	-	(2,085,035)	-	(663,998)
Depreciation and amortization	19	(22,692,637)	(17,629,276)	(18,640,546)	(14,255,334)
Other operating expenses	20	(68,879,797)	(70,558,054)	(52,349,199)	(55,811,554)
Profit before income tax		231,707,834	215,586,770	200,177,890	189,971,170
Income tax expense	21	(34,842,168)	(30,875,741)	(25,052,609)	(23,218,086)
Profit for the year from continuing operations		196,865,666	184,711,029	175,125,281	166,753,084
Loss for the year from discontinued operations	34(b)	(16,385)			
Profit for the year		196,849,281	184,711,029	175,125,281	166,753,084
Profit attributable to:					
Equity holders of the parent entity		195,382,285	183,922,718	175,125,281	166,753,084
Non-controlling interests		1,466,996	788,311	-	-
		196,849,281	184,711,029	175,125,281	166,753,084

Earnings per share for the profit from continuing operations attributable to the equity holders of the parent entity during the year (expressed in naira per share):

- Basic	22	6.96	6.54	5.95	5.67
- Diluted	22	6.96	6.54	5.95	5.67

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

¹See Note 50

Statements of other comprehensive income

For the Year ended 31 December 2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notes	Group Dec-2019	Restated Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Restated Parent Dec-2018
Profit for the year		196,849,281	184,711,029	175,125,281	166,753,084

Other comprehensive income not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent years:

Net change in fair value of equity investments FVOCI		54,313	71,341	54,313	71,341
		54,313	71,341	54,313	71,341
Remeasurements of post-employment benefit obligations		(2,093,871)	(238,929)	(2,093,871)	(238,929)
Income tax relating to remeasurements of post-employment benefit obligations		628,161	71,679	628,161	71,679
		(1,465,710)	(167,250)	(1,465,710)	(167,250)

Other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent years:

Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations		(7,322,939)	11,698,406	-	-
Income tax relating to foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations	21	2,196,882	(3,509,522)	-	-
Net change in fair value of other financial assets FVOCI		4,795,881	(7,270,448)	4,257,580	(7,691,996)
Income tax relating to change in fair value of other financial assets FVOCI	21	(1,438,764)	2,103,633	(1,277,274)	2,230,097
		(1,768,940)	3,022,069	2,980,306	(5,461,899)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		(3,180,337)	2,926,160	1,568,909	(5,557,808)
Total comprehensive income for the year		193,668,944	187,637,189	176,694,190	161,195,276
Profit attributable to:					
Equity holders of the parent entity		192,301,083	186,140,517	176,694,190	161,195,276
– Profit for the year from continuing operations		192,317,468	186,140,517	176,694,190	161,195,276
– Loss for the year from discontinued operations		(16,385)	-	-	-
Non-controlling interests		1,367,861	1,496,672	-	-
– Profit for the year from continuing operations		1,367,861	1,496,672	-	-
– Profit for the year from discontinued operations		-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		193,668,944	187,637,189	176,694,190	161,195,276

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

December 2019
Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Share capital	Share premium	Regulatory risk reserve	Other regulatory reserves	Treasury shares	Fair value reserve	Foreign currency translation reserve	Retained earnings	Total equity attributable to parent	Non-controlling interest	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2019	14,715,590	123,471,114	4,429,116	302,556,994	(5,583,635)	(1,262,254)	18,267,911	107,248,944	563,843,780	12,433,461	576,277,241
Opening Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(653,562)	(653,562)	-	(653,562)
Restated Balance as at 1 January 2019	14,715,590	123,471,114	4,429,116	302,556,994	(5,583,635)	(1,262,254)	18,267,911	106,595,382	563,190,218	12,433,461	575,623,679
Total comprehensive income for the year:											
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	195,382,285	195,382,285	1,466,996	196,849,281
Other comprehensive income, net of tax											
Foreign currency translation difference	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,857,461)	-	(4,857,461)	(268,596)	(5,126,057)
Actuarial loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,465,710)	(1,465,710)	-	(1,465,710)
Fair value adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	3,241,969	-	-	3,241,969	169,461	3,411,430
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	3,241,969	(4,857,461)	(1,465,710)	(3,081,202)	(99,135)	(3,180,337)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	3,241,969	(4,857,461)	193,916,575	192,301,083	1,367,861	193,668,944
Transactions with equity holders, recorded directly in equity:											
Transfers for the year	-	-	57,999,039	42,329,522	-	-	-	(100,328,561)	-	-	-
Acquisition/disposal of own shares	-	-	-	-	(948,114)	-	-	-	(948,114)	-	(948,114)
Dividend to equity holders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(80,935,743)	(80,935,743)	(71,298)	(81,007,041)
Balance at 31 December 2019	14,715,590	123,471,114	62,428,155	344,886,516	(6,531,749)	1,979,715	13,410,450	119,247,653	673,607,444	13,730,024	687,337,468

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity

Dec-2018
Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Share capital	Share premium	Regulatory Risk Reserve	Other Regulatory Reserves	Treasury Shares	Fair value Reserve	Foreign Currency Translation Reserve	Restated Retained Earnings	Total equity Attributable to Parent	Non-Controlling Interest	Total Equity
Balance at 1 January 2018	14,715,590	123,471,114	71,218,191	265,444,886	(5,291,245)	5,234,178	10,506,272	123,257,080	608,556,066	11,482,603	620,038,669
Changes on initial application of IFRS 9	-	-	(65,490,719)	-	-	258,336	-	(85,863,846)	(151,096,229)	(782,655)	(151,878,884)
Restated balance as at 1 January 2018	14,715,590	123,471,114	5,727,472	265,444,886	(5,291,245)	5,492,514	10,506,272	37,393,234	457,459,837	10,699,948	468,159,785
Total comprehensive income for the year:											
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	183,922,718	183,922,718	788,311	184,711,029
Other comprehensive income, net of tax											
Foreign currency translation difference	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,761,639	-	7,761,639	427,245	8,188,884
Remeasurements of post-employment benefit obligations (net of tax)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(167,250)	(167,250)	-	(167,250)
Fair value adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	(5,376,590)	-	-	(5,376,590)	281,116	(5,095,474)
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(5,376,590)	7,761,639	(167,250)	2,217,799	708,361	2,926,160
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(5,376,590)	7,761,639	183,755,468	186,140,517	1,496,672	187,637,189
Transactions with equity holders, recorded directly in equity:											
Transfers for the year	-	-	(1,298,356)	37,112,108	-	-	-	(35,813,752)	-	-	-
Reclassification due to derecognition	-	-	-	-	-	(1,378,178)	-	1,378,178	-	-	-
Inflow from NCI on acquisition of subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	236,841	236,841
(Acquisition)/disposal of own shares	-	-	-	-	(292,390)	-	-	-	(292,390)	-	(292,390)
Dividend to equity holders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(79,464,184)	(79,464,184)	-	(79,464,184)
Balance at 31 December 2018	14,715,590	123,471,114	4,429,116	302,556,994	(5,583,635)	(1,262,254)	18,267,911	107,248,944	563,843,780	12,433,461	576,277,241

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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

December 2019
Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Share capital	Share premium	Regulatory risk reserve	Other regulatory reserves ¹	Fair value reserve	Retained earnings	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2019	14,715,590	123,471,114	4,361,913	291,247,595	(1,622,642)	78,012,269	510,185,839
Opening Adjustment ²	-	-	-	-	-	(54,690)	(54,690)
Restated Balance as at 1 January 2019	14,715,590	123,471,114	4,361,913	291,247,595	(1,622,642)	77,957,579	510,131,149
Total comprehensive income for the year:							
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	175,125,281	175,125,281
Other comprehensive income, net of tax							
Actuarial loss	-	-	-	-	-	(1,465,710)	(1,465,710)
Fair value adjustment	-	-	-	-	3,034,619	-	3,034,619
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	3,034,619	(1,465,710)	1,568,909
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	3,034,619	173,659,571	176,694,190
Transactions with equity holders, recorded directly in equity:							
Transfers for the year	-	-	57,955,721	34,614,780	-	(92,570,501)	-
Dividend to equity holders	-	-	-	-	-	(80,935,743)	(80,935,743)
Balance at 31 December 2019	14,715,590	123,471,114	62,317,634	325,862,375	1,411,977	78,110,906	605,889,596

¹ Please refer to Note 41

² Please refer to Note 49

Statement of Changes in Equity

Dec-2018
Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Share capital	Share premium	Regulatory risk reserve	Other regulatory reserves	Fair value reserve	Retained earnings	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2018	14,715,590	123,471,114	67,762,679	258,145,396	4,887,758	108,104,500	577,087,037
Changes on initial application of IFRS 9	-	-	(65,490,719)	-	258,336	(83,399,907)	(148,632,290)
Restated balance as at 1 January 2018	14,715,590	123,471,114	2,271,960	258,145,396	5,146,094	24,704,593	428,454,747
Total comprehensive income for the year:							
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	166,753,084	166,753,084
Other comprehensive income, net of tax							
Remeasurements of post-employment benefit obligations (net of tax)	-	-	-	-	-	(167,250)	(167,250)
Fair value adjustment	-	-	-	-	(5,390,558)	-	(5,390,558)
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	(5,390,558)	(167,250)	(5,557,808)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	(5,390,558)	166,585,834	161,195,276
Transactions with equity holders, recorded directly in equity:							
Transfers for the year	-	-	2,089,953	33,102,199	-	(35,192,152)	-
Reclassification due to derecognition	-	-	-	-	(1,378,178)	1,378,178	-
Dividend to equity holders	-	-	-	-	-	(79,464,184)	(79,464,184)
Balance at 31 December 2018	14,715,590	123,471,114	4,361,913	291,247,595	(1,622,642)	78,012,269	510,185,839

Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year ended 31 December 2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notes	Group Dec-2019	Restated Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Restated Parent Dec-2018
Cash flows from operating activities					
Profit for the year		196,849,281	184,711,029	175,125,281	166,753,084
Adjustments for:					
Depreciation of property and equipment	19, 31	19,831,807	15,327,097	16,340,414	12,454,757
Amortisation of Intangibles		2,860,830	2,302,179	2,300,132	1,800,577
Gain on disposal of property and equipment		(112,647)	(230,429)	(82,057)	(103,934)
Impairment on financial assets		4,811,193	5,556,500	1,859,247	1,384,004
Net interest income		(231,363,102)	(222,433,801)	(189,318,029)	(188,355,922)
Foreign exchange gains	15	(17,065,559)	(31,082,991)	(15,229,721)	(29,879,043)
Fair value changes for FVTPL		(3,304,284)	(617,646)	(3,304,284)	(617,646)
Derivatives fair value changes		(23,594,027)	130,237	(23,594,027)	130,237
Dividend income		(246,948)	(224,631)	(3,257,195)	(224,631)
Income tax expense	21, 34(b)	34,842,168	30,875,741	25,052,609	23,218,086
Other non-cash items		(671,670)	389,264	(671,670)	389,264
		(17,162,958)	(15,297,451)	(14,779,300)	(13,051,167)
Net changes in:					
Financial assets held for trading		(59,142,598)	13,191,742	(32,493,251)	8,349,849
Assets pledged as collateral		(1,251,336)	2,199,535	(1,499,010)	2,669,983
Loans and advances to banks and placements with banks		54,845,300	(31,761,575)	47,897,811	(21,458,415)
Loans and advances to customers		(234,714,918)	91,424,381	(220,908,991)	97,093,592
Restricted deposits and other assets		(47,646,648)	(68,596,377)	(38,139,332)	(67,906,034)
Deposits from banks		18,532,417	(5,407,368)	(720,729)	693,569
Deposits from customers		264,392,988	164,535,362	212,967,526	133,628,967
Financial liabilities held for trading		(249,684)	(782,050)	(249,684)	(782,050)
Other liabilities		92,801,268	(90,394,972)	83,247,310	(89,664,434)
		87,566,789	74,408,678	50,101,650	62,625,027
Interest received		293,128,840	321,441,161	238,101,755	272,488,665
Interest paid		(65,226,334)	(85,781,718)	(52,244,321)	(70,821,116)
		227,902,506	235,659,443	185,857,434	201,667,549
		298,306,337	294,770,670	221,179,784	251,241,409
Income tax paid		(31,178,390)	(33,709,152)	(23,326,117)	(26,615,745)
Net cash provided by operating activities		267,127,947	261,061,518	197,853,667	224,625,664

Statements of Cash Flows

For the Year ended 31 December 2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notes	Group Dec-2019	Restated Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Restated Parent Dec-2018
Cash flows from investing activities					
Redemption of investment securities		675,242,356	1,333,581,618	695,568,182	1,340,111,269
Purchase of investment securities		(804,052,239)	(1,360,098,030)	(757,041,339)	(1,357,601,773)
Dividends received		246,948	224,631	3,257,195	224,631
Purchase of property and equipment	31	(64,709,366)	(28,350,669)	(56,010,194)	(23,787,592)
Proceeds from the sale of property and equipment		470,129	675,278	124,951	116,029
Purchase of intangible assets	32	(6,692,435)	(3,733,759)	(6,210,780)	(2,934,888)
Additional investment in subsidiary	30	-	-	-	(9,607,028)
Net cash used in investing activities		(199,494,607)	(57,700,931)	(120,311,985)	(53,479,352)
Cash Flows from Financing activities					
Repayment of debt securities issued		-	(99,008,757)	-	(99,008,757)
Repayment of long term borrowings		(48,447,620)	(65,370,563)	(47,539,163)	(56,015,226)
Proceeds from long term borrowings		31,780,731	14,450,000	31,780,731	14,450,000
Finance lease repayments		-	(284,509)	-	(284,509)
Purchase of treasury shares		(948,114)	(292,390)	-	-
Dividends paid to owners	42	(80,935,743)	(79,464,184)	(80,935,743)	(79,464,184)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interest		(71,298)	-	-	-
Increase in non-controlling interest		-	236,841	-	-
Net cash used in financing activities		(98,622,044)	(229,733,562)	(96,694,175)	(220,322,676)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(30,988,704)	(26,372,975)	(19,152,493)	(49,176,364)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		614,963,180	609,174,897	407,468,242	426,425,496
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash held		1,181,545	32,161,258	6,762,030	30,219,110
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	23(b)	585,156,021	614,963,180	395,077,779	407,468,242

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements



ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Reporting entity

Guaranty Trust Bank Plc (“the Bank” or “the Parent”) is a company incorporated in Nigeria. The address of the Bank’s registered office is Plot 635, Akin Adesola Street, Victoria Island, Lagos. These separate and consolidated financial statements, for the year ended 31 December 2019, are prepared for the Parent and the Group (Bank and its subsidiaries, separately referred to as “Group entities”) respectively. The Parent and the Group are primarily involved in investment, corporate, commercial and retail banking.

2. Basis of preparation

The Consolidated and separate financial statements of the parent and the group have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standard Board (IASB), the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act and the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act.

The Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements have been audited and were authorized for issue by the directors on 18th February 2020.

3. (a) Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements. All entities within the group apply the same accounting policies.

(a) Functional and presentation currency

These Consolidated and Separate financial statements are presented in Nigerian Naira, which is the Parent’s functional currency. Except where indicated, financial information presented in Naira has been rounded to the nearest thousand.

(b) Basis of measurement

These financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following:

- Derivative financial instruments which are measured at fair value.
- Non-derivative financial instruments, carried at fair value through profit or loss, are measured at fair value.
- Fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) financial assets are measured at fair value through equity.
- Liabilities for cash-settled share-based payment arrangements are measured at fair value.
- The liability for defined benefit obligations is recognized as the present value of the defined benefit obligation less the fair value of the plan assets.
- The plan assets for defined benefit obligations are measured at fair value.
- Assets and liabilities held for trading are measured at fair

value.

- Assets and Liabilities held to maturity are measured at amortised cost.
- Loans and Receivables are measured at amortised cost.

(c) Use of Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the directors to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and 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.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

(d) Changes to accounting policies

New and amended standards and interpretations

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial period except for IFRS 16 (Lease) which became effective January 2019. Adoption of the standard did not result in changes in the amounts previously recognised in the financial statements. However the standard affected disclosures of the Group.

Standards and interpretations effective during the reporting period

Amendments to the following standard(s) became effective in the annual period starting from 1st January, 2018. The new reporting requirements as a result of the amendments and/or clarifications have been evaluated and their impact or otherwise are noted below:

IFRS 16 – Leases

The IASB issued the new standard for accounting for leases - IFRS 16 Leases in January 2016. The standard does not significantly change the accounting for leases for lessors. However it requires lessees to recognise most leases on their balance sheets as lease liabilities, with the corresponding right-of-use assets. Lessees must apply a single model for all recognised leases, but will have the option not to recognise ‘short-term’ leases and leases of ‘low-value’ assets. Generally, the profit or loss recognition pattern for recognised leases will be similar to today’s finance lease accounting, with interest and depreciation expense recognised separately in the statement of profit or loss.

IFRS 16 became effective 1 January 2019. The Group has appropriately disclosed its lease in line with the requirements of the amendment.

Amendments to IAS 19

This amendment was issued 7 February 2018 and became effective 1 January 2019. It prescribes the accounting for all types of employee benefits except share-based payment, to which IFRS 2 applies. Employee benefits are all forms of consideration given by an entity in exchange for service rendered by employees or for the termination of employment. IAS 19 requires an entity to recognise:

- a liability when an employee has provided service in exchange for employee benefits to be paid in the future; and
- an expense when the entity consumes the economic benefit arising from the service provided by an employee in exchange for employee benefits.

The amendments clarify that:

- on amendment, curtailment or settlement of a defined benefit plan, a company now uses updated actuarial assumptions to determine its current service cost and net interest for the period; and
- the effect of the asset ceiling is disregarded when calculating the gain or loss on any settlement of the plan and is dealt with separately in other comprehensive income (OCI).

This Standard has no impact on the Group and Parent.

IFRIC 23 – Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments

This standard which became effective 1 January 2019, clarifies the accounting for uncertainties in income taxes. The interpretation is to be applied to the determination of taxable profit (tax loss), tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits and tax rates, when there is uncertainty over tax treatments under IAS 12. The Group has considered the guidance included within the interpretation and concluded that the prescribed approach does not have a material impact on the Group.

Amendments to IFRS 2 - Share Based Payment - Classification and measurement of share based payment transactions

This standard clarifies classification and measurement of share based payment transactions with net settlement features for withholding tax obligations (i.e. equity settled share based payment for employees and cash settled share based payment for withholding taxes). It grants an exemption to alleviate operational issues encountered in dividing the share based payment into cash-settled and equity-settled component. The amendments also clarify modifications to terms and conditions that change classifications from cash-settled to equity-settled as well as application of non-market vesting conditions and market non-vesting conditions. These amendments do not have any material impact on the Group.

The Group has not applied the following new or amended standards in preparing these consolidated and separate financial statements as it plans to adopt these standards at their respective effective dates. Commentaries on these new standards/amendments are provided below.

Standards and interpretations issued/amended but not yet effective

The following standards have been issued or amended by the IASB but are yet to become effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019:

Standard	Content	Effective Date
IFRS 3	Business Combination	1-Jan-20
IAS 1 & IAS 8	Definition of Material	1-Jan-20

The Group has not applied the following new or amended standards in preparing these consolidated and separate financial statements as it plans to adopt these standards at their respective effective dates. Commentaries on these new standards/amendments are provided below.

Amendments to IFRS 3 (Business Combination)

IFRS 3 (Business Combinations) outlines the accounting when an acquirer obtains control of a business (e.g. An acquisition or merger). In October 2018, after the post implementation review of IFRS 3, the IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 3 which centers majorly on the definition of a Business.

They include:

- That to be considered a business, an acquired set of activities and assets must include, at minimum, an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs:
- Narrow the definitions of a business and of outputs by focusing on goods and services provided to customers and by removing the reference to an ability to reduce costs.
- Add guidance and illustrative examples to help entities assess whether a substantive process has been acquired.
- Remove the assessment of whether market participants are capable of replacing any missing inputs or processes and continuing to produce outputs: and
- Add an optional concentration test that permits a simplified assessment of whether an acquired set of activities and assets is not a business.

The effective date is on or after 1st January 2020. This amendment does not have any impact on the Group.

Amendment to IAS 1 and IAS 8

In October 2018, the IASB issued the definition of 'material'. The amendments are intended to clarify, modify and ensure that the definition of 'material' is consistent across all IFRS. In IAS 1 (Presentation of Financial Statements) and IAS 8 (Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors), the revised definition of 'material' is quoted below:

"An information is material if omitting, misstating or obscuring it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make based on those financial statements, which provide financial information about a specific reporting entity"

The amendments laid emphasis on five (5) ways material information can be obscured. These include:

- If the language regarding a material item, transaction or other event is vague or unclear;
- If information regarding a material item, transaction or other event is scattered in different places in the financial statements;
- If dissimilar items, transactions or other events are inappropriately aggregated;
- If similar items, transactions or other events are inappropriately disaggregated; and
- If material information is hidden by immaterial information to the extent that it becomes unclear what information is material.

The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1st January 2020. The Group has taken into consideration the new definition in the preparation of its annual account.

3. (b) Other Accounting Policies

Other accounting policies that have been applied are:

(a) Consolidation

The financial statements of the subsidiaries used to prepare the consolidated financial statements were prepared as of the parent company's reporting date. The consolidation principles are unchanged as against the comparative year.

(i) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Parent. Control exists when the Parent has:

- o power over the investee;
- o exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- o the ability to use its power over the investee to affect the amount of the investor's returns.

Acquisition of subsidiaries

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method as at the acquisition date, which is the date on which control is transferred to the Parent. The Group measures goodwill as the fair value of the consideration transferred including the recognised amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree, less the net recognised amount (generally fair value) of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, all measured as of the acquisition date. When the excess is negative, a bargain purchase gain is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

The Group elects on a transaction-by-transaction basis whether to measure at the acquisition date components of non-controlling interests in the acquiree at its fair value, or at its proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. All other

components of non-controlling interests are measured at their acquisition-date fair values, unless another measurement basis is required by IFRS. Transaction costs, other than those associated with the issue of debt or equity securities, that the Group incurs in connection with a business combination are expensed as incurred.

(ii) Structured entity

A structured entity is an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, such as when any voting rights relate to administrative tasks only and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual arrangements. A structured entity is consolidated if the Group is exposed, or has rights to variable returns from its involvement with the Structured Entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the Structured Entity. Power is the current ability to direct the activities that significantly influence returns.

The Group established GTB Finance B.V. Netherlands as a Structured Entity to raise funds from the international financial market. The Bank has, however, substituted the liability and liquidated the Entity.

(iii) Accounting method of consolidation

Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. The results of the subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated financial statements from the effective acquisition date and or up to the effective date on which control ceases, as appropriate. The integration of the subsidiaries into the consolidated financial statements is based on consistent accounting and valuation methods for similar transactions and other occurrences under similar circumstances.

(iv) Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intra-group balances, income and expenses (except for foreign currency translation gains or losses) arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised gains arising from transactions with subsidiaries are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the entity. Unrealised losses are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment. Profits and losses resulting from intra-group transactions are also eliminated.

(v) Non-controlling interest

The group applies IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements (2011) in accounting for acquisitions of non-controlling interests. Under this accounting policy, acquisitions of non-controlling interests are accounted for as transactions with equity holders in their capacity as owners and therefore no goodwill is recognised as a result of such transactions. The adjustments to non-controlling interests are based on the proportionate amount of the net assets of the subsidiary.

(b) Foreign currency translation

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency').

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions, that is transactions denominated, or that require settlement in a foreign currency, are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions.

Monetary items denominated in foreign currency are translated using the closing rate as at the reporting date. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost denominated in a foreign currency are translated with the exchange rate as at the date of initial recognition; non-monetary items in a foreign currency that are measured at fair value are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of foreign currency transactions and from the year end translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Income statement, except when deferred in equity as gains or losses from qualifying cash flow hedging instruments or qualifying net investment hedging instruments.

All foreign exchange gains and losses recognised in the Income statement are presented net in the Income statement within the corresponding item. Foreign exchange gains and losses on other comprehensive income items are presented in other comprehensive income within the corresponding item.

In the case of changes in the fair value of monetary assets denominated in foreign currency classified as available for sale, a distinction is made between translation differences resulting from changes in amortised cost of the security and other changes in the carrying amount of the security. Translation differences related to changes in the amortised cost are recognised in profit or loss, and other changes in the carrying amount, except impairment, are recognised in equity.

(iii) Group Entities

The results and financial position of all the Group entities (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- Assets and liabilities for each statement of financial position presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that statement of financial position;
- Income and expenses for each Income statement are translated at average exchange rates (unless this average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the dates of the transactions);

- All resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Exchange differences arising from the above process are reported in shareholders' equity as 'Foreign currency translation reserve'.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of the net investment in foreign entities, and of borrowings and other currency instruments designated as hedges of such investments, are taken to 'Other comprehensive income'. When a foreign operation is disposed of, or partially disposed of, such exchange differences are recognised in the consolidated income statement as part of the gain or loss on sale.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate.

(c) Interest

Interest income and expense for all interest-earning and interest-bearing financial instruments are recognised in the income statement within "interest income" and "interest expense" using the effective interest method.

The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash payments and receipts through the expected life of the financial asset or liability (or, where appropriate, the next re-pricing date) to the carrying amount of the financial asset or liability. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Group estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instruments but not future credit losses.

The calculation of the effective interest rate includes contractual fees paid or received, transaction costs, and discounts or premiums that are an integral part of the effective interest rate.

Transaction costs are incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, issue or disposal of a financial asset or liability.

Interest income and expense presented in the Income statement include:

- Interest on financial assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost calculated on an effective interest rate basis.
- Interest on financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss calculated on an effective interest rate basis.
- Interest on financial assets measured at fair value through OCI calculated on an effective interest rate basis.

Whilst interest revenue is always required to be presented as a separate line item, it is calculated differently according to the status of the asset with regard to credit impairment.

For a financial asset that has not become credit impaired since initial recognition, interest revenue is calculated using a 'gross method' of applying the effective interest rate method to the gross carrying amount of the asset (i.e. its carrying amount excluding the loss allowance).

For a financial asset that subsequently has become credit-impaired, from the beginning of the next reporting period, interest revenue is calculated using a 'net method' of applying the effective interest rate to the net amortised cost balance (i.e. including

the loss allowance).

(d) Fees and commission

Fees and Commission that are integral to the effective interest rate on a financial asset are included in the measurement of the effective interest rate. Fees, such as processing and management fees charged for assessing the financial position of the borrower, evaluating and reviewing guarantee, collateral and other security, negotiation of instruments' terms, preparing and processing documentation and finalising the transaction are an integral part of the effective interest rate on a financial asset or liability and are included in the measurement of the effective interest rate of financial assets or liabilities.

Other fees and commissions which relates mainly to transaction and service fees, including loan account structuring and service fees, investment management and other fiduciary activity fees, sales commission, placement line fees, syndication fees and guarantee issuance fees are recognised as the related services are provided / performed.

(e) Net gains on financial instruments classified as held for trading

Net trading income comprises gains less losses related to trading assets and liabilities, and it includes all fair value changes, dividends and foreign exchange differences.

(f) Net income from other financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

Net income from other financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss relates to derivatives held for risk management purposes that do not form part of qualifying hedge relationships.

Fair value changes on other derivatives held for risk management purposes, and other financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss, are presented in Other Income – Mark to market gain/(loss) on trading investments in the Income statement.

(g) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive income is established. Dividends on trading equities are reflected as a component of Net gains on financial instruments classified as held for trading. Dividend income on long term equity investments is recognised as a component of other income.

(h) Leases

The Group has applied IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and therefore the comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under IAS 17 and IFRIC 4. The details of the accounting policy under IAS 17 and IFRIC 4 are disclosed separately if they are different from those under IFRS 16 and the impact of the changes is disclosed in SOCE

as adjustment to opening retained earnings on 1 January 2019.

Leases (right-of-use asset) are accounted for in accordance with IFRS 16 and are accounted for in line with the following based on whether the Group is the Lessor or the Lessee:

(i) The Group is the lessee

At the commencement date, the Group recognises a right-of-use asset at cost and a lease liability, where applicable, at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at that date.

The cost of the right-of-use asset comprises the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received, any initial direct costs incurred by the lessee and an estimate of costs to be incurred by the lessee in dismantling and removing the underlying asset, restoring the site on which it is located or restoring the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease.

After the commencement date, the Group measures the right-of-use asset at cost less any accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses and adjusted for any remeasurement of the lease liability. The Group subsequently measures the lease liability by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability, reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made and remeasuring the carrying amount to reflect any reassessment or lease modifications.

The corresponding lease liabilities, where applicable, are included in other liabilities. The interest element of the lease liabilities is charged to the Income statement over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

(ii) The Group is the lessor

When assets are leased to a third party under finance lease terms, the present value of the lease income is recognised as a receivable. The difference between the gross receivable and the present value of the receivable is recognised as unearned finance income. Lease income is recognised over the term of the lease using the net investment method (before tax), which reflects a constant periodic rate of return.

(I) Income Tax

(i) Current income tax

Income tax payable is calculated on the basis of the applicable tax law in the respective jurisdiction and it consists of Company Income Tax, Education tax and NITDEF tax. Company Income tax is assessed at a statutory rate of 30% of total profit or Dividend Declared, whichever is higher. Education tax is computed as 2% of assessable profit while NITDEF tax is a 1% levy on Profit before tax of the Bank.

Current income tax is recognised as an expense for the period except to the extent that current tax is related to items that are charged or credited in other comprehensive income or directly to equity. In these circumstances, deferred tax is charged or credit to other comprehensive income or to equity (for example, current tax on FVOCI).

Where the Group has tax losses that can be relieved only by carrying it forward against taxable profits of future periods, a deductible temporary difference arises. Those losses carried forward are set off against deferred tax liabilities carried in the consolidated statement of financial position.

The Group evaluates positions stated in tax returns; ensuring information disclosed are in agreement with the underlying tax liability, which has been adequately provided for in the financial statements.

(ii) Deferred income tax

Deferred income tax is provided in full, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. Deferred income tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period and are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled.

However, the deferred income tax is not recognised for:

- temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss;
- temporary differences related to investments in subsidiaries where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by the Group and it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future; and
- temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill.

Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which these temporary differences can be utilised. The tax effects of carry-forwards of unused losses or unused tax credits are recognised as an asset when it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which these losses can be utilised. Deferred tax related to fair value re-measurement of FVOCI investments and cash flow hedges, which are recognised in other comprehensive income, is also recognised in the other comprehensive income and subsequently in the income statement together with the deferred gain or loss.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities against current tax assets, and they relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority on the same taxable entity, or on different tax entities, but they intend to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis or their tax assets and liabilities will be realised simultaneously.

(j) Financial assets and liabilities

I. Recognition

The Group on the date of origination or purchase recognizes loans, debt and equity securities, deposits and subordinated debentures at the fair value of consideration paid. For non-revolving facilities, origination date is the date the facility is disbursed, origination date for revolving facilities is the date the line is availed, while origination date for credit card is the date

the credit limit is availed on the card. Regular-way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognized on the settlement date. All other financial assets and liabilities, including derivatives, are initially recognized on the trade date at which the Bank becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

II. Classification and Measurement

Initial measurement of a financial asset or liability is at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to its purchase or issuance. For instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs are recognized immediately in profit or loss. Financial assets include both debt and equity instruments.

Financial assets are classified into one of the following measurement categories:

- Amortised cost
- Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI)
- Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVTPL) for trading related assets

The Group classifies all of its financial assets based on the business model for managing the assets and the asset's contractual cash flow characteristics.

Business Model Assessment

Business model assessment involves determining whether financial assets are managed in order to generate cash flows from collection of contractual cash flows, selling financial assets or both. The Bank assesses business model at a portfolio level reflective of how groups of assets are managed together to achieve a particular business objective. For the assessment of business model the Bank takes into consideration the following factors:

- the stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice. In particular, whether management's strategy focuses on earning contractual interest revenue, maintaining a particular interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the duration of the liabilities that are funding those assets or realizing cash flows through the sale of the assets
- how the performance of assets in a portfolio is evaluated and reported to Group heads and other key decision makers within the Bank's business lines;
- the risks that affect the performance of assets held within a business model and how those risks are managed;
- how compensation is determined for the Bank's business lines' management that manages the assets; and
- the frequency and volume of sales in prior periods and expectations about future sales activity.

Management determines the classification of the financial instruments at initial recognition. The business model assessment falls under three categories:

- Business Model 1(BM1): Financial assets held with the sole objective to collect contractual cash flows;

- Business Model 2 (BM2): Financial assets held with the objective of both collecting contractual cash flows and selling; and
- Business Model 3 (BM3): Financial assets held with neither of the objectives mentioned in BM1 or BM2 above. These are basically financial assets held with the sole objective to trade and to realize fair value changes.

The Group may decide to sell financial instruments held under the BM1 category with the objective to collect contractual cash flows without necessarily changing its business model if one or more of the following conditions are met:

- When the Group sells financial assets to reduce credit risk or losses because of an increase in the assets' credit risk. The Group considers sale of financial assets that may occur in BM1 to be infrequent if the sales is one-off during the Financial Year and/or occurs at most once during the quarter or at most three (3) times within the Financial Year.
- Where these sales are infrequent even if significant in value. A Sale of financial assets is considered infrequent if the sale is one-off during the Financial Year and/or occurs at most once during the quarter or at most three (3) times within the Financial Year.
- Where these sales are insignificant in value both individually and in aggregate, even if frequent. A sale is considered insignificant if the portion of the financial assets sold is equal to or less than five (5) per cent of the carrying amount (book value) of the total assets within the business model.
- When these sales are made close to the maturity of the financial assets and the proceeds from the sales approximates the collection of the remaining contractual cash flows. A sale is considered to be close to maturity if the financial assets has a tenor to maturity of not more than one (1) year and/or the difference between the remaining contractual cash flows expected from the financial asset does not exceed the cash flows from the sales by ten (10) per cent.
- Other reasons: The following reasons outlined below may constitute 'Other Reasons' that may necessitate selling financial assets from the BM1 category that will not constitute a change in business model:
 - Selling the financial asset to realize cash to deal with unforeseen need for liquidity (infrequent).
 - Selling the financial asset to manage credit concentration risk (infrequent).
 - Selling the financial assets as a result of changes in tax laws (infrequent).
 - Other situations also depends upon the facts and circumstances which need to be judged by the management

Cash flow characteristics assessment

The contractual cash flow characteristics assessment involves assessing the contractual features of an instrument to determine if they give rise to cash flows that are consistent with a basic lending arrangement. Contractual cash flows are consistent with a basic lending arrangement if they represent cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding (SPPI).

Principal is defined as the fair value of the instrument at initial recognition. Principal may change over the life of the instruments due to repayments. Interest is defined as consideration for the time value of money and the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding and for other basic lending risks and costs (liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as a profit margin.

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, the Group considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making the assessment, the Group considers:

- contingent events that would change the amount and timing of cash flows;
- leverage features;
- prepayment and extension terms;
- terms that limit the Group's claim to cash flows from specified assets (e.g. non-recourse asset arrangements); and
- Features that modify consideration of the time value of money – e.g. periodical reset of interest rates.

The Group holds a portfolio of long-term fixed rate loans for which it has the option to propose a revision of the interest rate at periodic reset dates. These reset rights are limited to the market rate at the time of revision. The right to reset the rates of the loans based on the revision in market rates are part of the contractually agreed terms on inception of the loan agreement, therefore the borrowers are obligated to comply with the reset rates without any option of repayment of the loans at par at any reset date. The Group has determined that the contractual cash flows of these loans are solely payments of principal and interest because the option varies with the interest rate in a way that is considered a consideration for the time value of money, credit risk, other basic lending risks and costs associated with the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets with embedded derivatives are considered in their entirety when determining whether their cash flows are solely payment of principal and interest.

a) Financial assets measured at amortised cost

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost if they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest. After initial measurement, debt instruments in this category are carried at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method. Amortized cost is calculated taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition, transaction costs and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. Amortization is included in Interest income in the Consolidated Statement of Income. Impairment on financial assets measured at amortized cost is calculated using the expected credit loss approach.

Loans and debt securities measured at amortized cost are presented net of the allowance for credit losses (ACL) in the statement of financial position.

b) Financial assets measured at FVOCI

Financial assets are measured at FVOCI if they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold for collection of contractual cash flows and for selling financial assets, where the assets' cash flows represent payments that are solely payments of principal and interest. Subsequent to initial recognition, unrealized gains and losses on debt instruments measured at FVOCI are recorded in other comprehensive Income (OCI), unless the instrument is designated in a fair value hedge relationship. Upon derecognition, realized gains and losses are reclassified from OCI and recorded in Other Income in the Consolidated Statement of Income. Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to the amortized cost of the debt instrument are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Income. Premiums, discounts and related transaction costs are amortized over the expected life of the instrument to Interest income in the Consolidated Statement of Income using the effective interest rate method. Impairment on financial assets measured at FVOCI is calculated using the expected credit loss approach.

c) Financial assets measured at FVTPL

Debt instruments measured at FVTPL include assets held for trading purposes, assets held as part of a portfolio managed on a fair value basis and assets whose cash flows do not represent payments that are solely payments of principal and interest. Financial assets may also be designated at FVTPL if by so doing eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch which would otherwise arise. These instruments are measured at fair value in the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, with transaction costs recognized immediately in the Consolidated Statement of Income as part of Other Income. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are recognized as part of Other Income in the Consolidated Statement of Income.

d) Equity Instruments

Equity instruments are instruments that meet the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective; that is, any contract that evidences a residual interest in the issuer's net assets.

Equity instruments are measured at FVTPL, unless an election is made to designate them at FVOCI upon purchase. For equity instruments measured at FVTPL, changes in fair value are recognized as part of Other Income in the Consolidated Statement of Income. The Bank can elect to classify non-trading equity instruments at FVOCI. This election will be used for certain equity investments for strategic or longer term investment purposes. The FVOCI election is made upon initial recognition, on an instrument-by-instrument basis and once made is irrevocable. Gains and losses on these instruments including when derecognized/sold are recorded in OCI and are not subsequently reclassified to the Consolidated Statement of Income. Dividends received are recorded in other income in the Consolidated Statement of Income. Any transaction costs incurred upon purchase of the security are added to the cost basis of the security and are not reclassified to the Consolidated Statement of Income on sale of the security. Transaction cost on disposal of equity instruments is recognised as an expense in the income statement.

Financial liabilities are classified into one of the following measurement categories:

- Amortised cost
- Fair Value through Profit or Loss (FVTPL)

e) Financial Liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities accounted for at fair value through profit or loss fall into two categories: financial liabilities held for trading and financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss on inception.

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are financial liabilities held for trading. A financial liability is classified as held for trading if it is incurred principally for the purpose of repurchasing it in the near term or if it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking. Derivatives are also categorized as held for trading unless they are designated and effective as hedging instruments. Financial liabilities held for trading also include obligations to deliver financial assets borrowed by a short seller.

Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value of financial liabilities classified as held for trading are included in the income statement and are reported as 'Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments classified as held for trading'. Interest expenses on financial liabilities held for trading are included in 'Net interest income'.

Financial Liabilities are designated at FVTPL when either the designation eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch which would otherwise arise or the financial liability contains one or more embedded derivatives which significantly modify the cash flows otherwise required. For liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss, all changes in fair value are recognized in Other Income in the Consolidated Statement of Income, except for changes in fair value arising from changes in the Bank's own credit risk which are recognized in OCI. Changes in fair value of liabilities due to changes in the Bank's own credit risk, which are recognized in OCI, are not subsequently reclassified to the Consolidated Statement of Income upon derecognition/extinguishment of the liabilities.

f) Financial Liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities that are not classified at fair value through profit or loss fall into this category and are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost are deposits from banks or customers, other borrowed funds, debt securities in issue for which the fair value option is not applied, convertible bonds and subordinated debts.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include notes and coins on hand, unrestricted balances held with central banks, balances held with other banks, Money market placements and highly liquid financial assets with original maturities of less than three months, which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in their fair value, and are used by the Group in the management of its

short-term commitments. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at amortised cost in the Statements of financial position.

III. Reclassifications

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition, except in the period after the Group changes its business model for managing financial assets. A change in the Group's business model will occur only when the Group either begins or ceases to perform an activity that is significant to its operations such as:

- Significant internal restructuring or business combinations; for example an acquisition of a private asset management company that might necessitate transfer and sale of loans to willing buyers, this action will constitute changes in business model and subsequent reclassification of the Loan held from BM1 to BM2 Category
- Disposal of a business line i.e. disposal of a business segment
- Any other reason that might warrant a change in the Group's business model as determined by management based on facts and circumstances.

The following are not considered to be changes in the business model:

- A change in intention related to particular financial assets (even in circumstances of significant changes in market conditions)
- A temporary disappearance of a particular market for financial assets.
- A transfer of financial assets between parts of the Group with different business models.

When reclassification occurs, the Group reclassifies all affected financial assets in accordance with the new business model. Reclassification is applied prospectively from the 'reclassification date'. Reclassification date is 'the first day of the first reporting period following the change in business model. For example, if the Group decides to shut down the retail business segment on 31st January 2018, the reclassification date will be 1 April, 2018 (i.e. the first day of the entity's next reporting period), the Group shall not engage in activities consistent with its former business model after 31st January, 2018. Gains, losses or interest previously recognised are not restated when reclassification occurs.

IV. Modification of financial assets and liabilities

a. Financial assets

When the contractual terms of a financial asset are modified, the Group evaluates whether the cash flows of the modified asset are substantially different. If the cash flows are substantially different, then the contractual rights to cash flows from the original financial asset are deemed to have expired. In this case, the original financial asset is derecognised and a new financial asset is recognised at fair value. Any difference between the amortized cost and the present value of the estimated future cash flows of

the modified asset or consideration received on derecognition is recorded as a separate line item in profit or loss as 'gains and losses arising from the derecognition of financial assets measured at amortized cost'.

If the cash flows of the modified asset carried at amortized cost are not substantially different, then the modification does not result in derecognition of the financial asset. In this case, the Group recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial asset and recognizes the amount arising from adjusting the gross carrying amount as a modification gain or loss in profit or loss. If the contractual cash flows on a financial asset have been renegotiated or modified and the financial asset was not derecognised, the Group shall assess whether there has been a significant increase in the credit risk of the financial instrument by comparing:

- the risk of a default occurring at the reporting date (based on the modified contractual terms); and
- the risk of a default occurring at initial recognition (based on the original, unmodified contractual terms)

In determining when a modification to terms of a financial asset is substantial or not to the existing terms, the Bank will consider the following non-exhaustive criteria:

Quantitative criteria

A modification would lead to derecognition of existing financial asset and recognition of a new financial asset, i.e. substantial modification, if:

- The discounted present value of the cash flows under the new terms, including any fees received net of any fees paid and discounted using the original effective interest rate, is at least 10 per cent different from the discounted present value of the remaining cash flows of the original financial asset.

In addition to the above, the bank shall also consider qualitative factors as detailed below.

Qualitative criteria

Scenarios where modifications will lead to derecognition of existing loan and recognition of a new loan, i.e. substantial modification, are:

- The exchange of a loan for another financial asset with substantially different contractual terms and conditions such as the restructuring of a loan to a bond; conversion of a loan to an equity instrument of the borrower
- Roll up of interest into a single bullet payment of interest and principal at the end of the loan term
- Conversion of a loan from one currency to another currency

Other factor to be considered:

- Extension of maturity dates

If the terms of a financial asset are renegotiated or modified or an existing financial asset is replaced with a new one due to financial difficulties of the borrower, then an assessment is made of whether the financial asset should be derecognised (see

above) and ECL are measured as follows:

- If the expected restructuring will not result in derecognition of the existing asset, then the expected cash flows arising from the modified financial asset are included in calculating the cash shortfalls from the existing asset
- If the expected restructuring will result in derecognition of the existing asset, then the expected fair value of the new asset is treated as the final cash flow from the existing financial asset at the time of its derecognition.

b. Financial Liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires. The Group derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different. In this case, a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished and the new financial liability with modified terms is recognised in profit or loss.

De-recognition of financial instruments

The Group derecognizes a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group recognises its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

Financial assets that are transferred to a third party but do not qualify for derecognition are presented in the statement of financial position as 'Assets pledged as collateral', if the transferee has the right to sell or repledge them.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount of the asset (or the carrying amount allocated to the portion of the asset transferred), and the sum of (i) the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) and (ii) any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognized in other comprehensive income is recognized in profit or loss.

V. Impairment of Financial Assets

In line with IFRS 9, the Group assesses the under listed financial instruments for impairment using Expected Credit Loss (ECL) approach:

- Amortized cost financial assets;
- Debt securities classified as at FVOCI;
- Off-balance sheet loan commitments; and
- Financial guarantee contracts.

Equity instruments and financial assets measured at FVPL are not subjected to impairment under the standard.

Expected Credit Loss Impairment Model

The Group's allowance for credit losses calculations are outputs of models with a number of underlying assumptions regarding the choice of variable inputs and their interdependencies. The expected credit loss impairment model reflects the present value of all cash shortfalls related to default events either over the following twelve months or over the expected life of a financial instrument depending on credit deterioration from inception. The allowance for credit losses reflects an unbiased, probability-weighted outcome which considers multiple scenarios based on reasonable and supportable forecasts.

The Group adopts a three-stage approach for impairment assessment based on changes in credit quality since initial recognition.

- **Stage 1** – Where there has not been a significant increase in credit risk (SICR) since initial recognition of a financial instrument, an amount equal to 12 months expected credit loss is recorded. The expected credit loss is computed using a probability of default occurring over the next 12 months. For those instruments with a remaining maturity of less than 12 months, a probability of default corresponding to remaining term to maturity is used.
- **Stage 2** – When a financial instrument experiences a SICR subsequent to origination but is not considered to be in default, it is included in Stage 2. This requires the computation of expected credit loss based on the probability of default over the remaining estimated life of the financial instrument.
- **Stage 3** – Financial instruments that are considered to be in default are included in this stage. Similar to Stage 2, the allowance for credit losses captures the lifetime expected credit losses.

The guiding principle for ECL model is to reflect the general pattern of deterioration or improvement in the credit quality of financial instruments since initial recognition. The ECL allowance is based on credit losses expected to arise over the life of the asset (life time expected credit loss), unless there has been no significant increase in credit risk since origination.

Measurement of Expected Credit Losses

The probability of default (PD), exposure at default (EAD), and loss given default (LGD) inputs used to estimate expected credit losses are modelled based on macroeconomic variables that are most closely related with credit losses in the relevant portfolio.

Details of these statistical parameters/inputs are as follows:

- **PD** – The probability of default is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon. A default may only happen at a certain time over the remaining estimated life, if the facility has not been previously derecognized and is still in the portfolio.
- **12-month PDs** – This is the estimated probability of default occurring within the next 12 months (or over the remaining life of the financial instrument if that is less than 12 months). This is used to calculate 12-month ECLs. The

Bank obtains the constant and relevant coefficients for the various independent variables and computes the outcome by incorporating forward looking macroeconomic variables and computing the forward probability of default.

- **Lifetime PDs** – This is the estimated probability of default occurring over the remaining life of the financial instrument. This is used to calculate lifetime ECLs for 'stage 2' and 'stage 3' exposures. PDs are limited to the maximum period of exposure required by IFRS 9. The Bank obtains 3 years forecast for the relevant macroeconomic variables and adopts exponentiation method to compute cumulative PD for future time periods for each obligor.
- **EAD** – The exposure at default is an estimate of the exposure at a future default date, taking into account expected changes in the exposure after the reporting date, including repayments of principal and interest, whether scheduled by contract or otherwise, expected drawdowns on committed facilities, and accrued interest from missed payments.
- **LGD** – The loss given default is an estimate of the loss arising in the case where a default occurs at a given time. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the lender would expect to receive, including from the realization of any collateral. It is usually expressed as a percentage of the EAD.

To estimate expected credit loss for off balance sheet exposures, credit conversion factor (CCF) is usually computed. CCF is a modelled assumption which represents the proportion of any undrawn exposure that is expected to be drawn prior to a default event occurring. It is a factor that converts an off balance sheet exposure to its credit exposure equivalent. In modelling CCF, the Bank considers its account monitoring and payment processing policies including its ability to prevent further drawings during periods of increased credit risk. CCF is applied on the off balance sheet exposures to determine the EAD and the ECL impairment model for financial assets is applied on the EAD to determine the ECL on the off balance sheet exposures.

Forward-looking information

The measurement of expected credit losses for each stage and the assessment of significant increases in credit risk considers information about past events and current conditions as well as reasonable and supportable forecasts of future events and economic conditions. The estimation and application of forward-looking information requires significant judgement.

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- The Group uses internal subject matter experts from Risk, Treasury and Business Divisions to consider a range of relevant forward looking data, including macro-economic forecasts and assumptions, for the determination of unbiased general economic adjustments in order to support the calculation of ECLs.
- Macro-economic variables taken into consideration include,

but are not limited to, unemployment, interest rates, gross domestic product, inflation, crude-oil prices and exchange rate, and requires an evaluation of both the current and forecast direction of the macro-economic cycle.

- Macro-economic variables considered have strong statistical relationships with the risk parameters (LGD, EAD, CCF and PD) used in the estimation of the ECLs, and are capable of predicting future conditions that are not captured within the base ECL calculations.
- Forward looking adjustments for both general macro-economic adjustments and more targeted at portfolio / industry levels. The methodologies and assumptions, including any forecasts of future economic conditions, are reviewed regularly.

Macroeconomic factors

The Group relies on a broad range of forward looking information as economic inputs, such as: GDP growth, unemployment rates, central bank base rates, crude oil prices, inflation rates and foreign exchange rates. The inputs and models used for calculating expected credit losses may not always capture all characteristics of the market at the date of the financial statements. To reflect this, qualitative adjustments or overlays may be made as temporary adjustments using expert credit judgement.

The macroeconomic variables and economic forecasts as well as other key inputs are reviewed and approved by management before incorporated in the ECL model. Any subsequent changes to the forward looking information are also approved before such are inputted in the ECL model.

The macro economic variables are obtained for 3 years in the future and are reassessed every 6 months to ensure that they reflect prevalent circumstances and are up to date.

Where there is a non-linear relationships, one forward-looking scenario is never sufficient as it may result in the estimation of a worst-case scenario or a best-case scenario. The Bank's ECL methodology considers weighted average of multiple economic scenarios for the risk parameters (basically the forecast macro-economic variables) in arriving at impairment figure for a particular reporting period. The model is structured in a manner that the final outcome, which is a probability cannot be negative.

SICR is assessed once there is an objective indicator of a deterioration in credit risk of customer. In addition, the Bank as part of its routine credit processes perform an assessment on a quarterly basis to identify instances of SICR.

Multiple forward-looking scenarios

The Group determines allowance for credit losses using three probability-weighted forward-looking scenarios. The Group considers both internal and external sources of information in order to achieve an unbiased measure of the scenarios used. The Group prepares the scenarios using forecasts generated by credible sources such as Business Monitor International (BMI), International Monetary Fund (IMF), Nigeria Bureau of Statistics (NBS), World Bank, Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), Financial Markets Dealers Quotation (FMDQ), and Trading Economics.

The Group estimates three scenarios for each risk parameter

(LGD, EAD, CCF and PD) – Normal, Upturn and Downturn, which in turn is used in the estimation of the multiple scenario ECLs. The 'normal case' represents the most likely outcome and is aligned with information used by the Bank for other purposes such as strategic planning and budgeting. The other scenarios represent more optimistic and more pessimistic outcomes. The Bank has identified and documented key drivers of credit risk and credit losses for each portfolio of financial instruments and, using an analysis of historical data, has estimated relationships between macro-economic variables, credit risk and credit losses.

Assessment of significant increase in credit risk (SICR)

At each reporting date, the Bank assesses whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk for exposures since initial recognition by comparing the risk of default occurring over the remaining expected life from the reporting date and the date of initial recognition. The assessment considers borrower-specific quantitative and qualitative information without consideration of collateral, and the impact of forward-looking macroeconomic factors. The common assessments for SICR on retail and non-retail portfolios include macroeconomic outlook, management judgement, and delinquency and monitoring. Forward looking macroeconomic factors are a key component of the macroeconomic outlook. The importance and relevance of each specific macroeconomic factor depends on the type of product, characteristics of the financial instruments and the borrower and the geographical region.

The Group adopts a multi factor approach in assessing changes in credit risk. This approach considers: Quantitative (primary), Qualitative (secondary) and Back stop indicators which are critical in allocating financial assets into stages.

The quantitative models considers deterioration in the credit rating of obligor/counterparty based on the Bank's internal rating system or External Credit Assessment Institutions (ECAI) while qualitative factors considers information such as expected forbearance, restructuring, exposure classification by licensed credit bureau, etc.

A backstop is typically used to ensure that in the (unlikely) event that the primary (quantitative) indicators do not change and there is no trigger from the secondary (qualitative) indicators, an account that has breached the 30 days past due criteria for SICR and 90 days past due criteria for default is transferred to stage 2 or stage 3 as the case may be except there is a reasonable and supportable evidence available without undue cost to rebut the presumption.

Definition of Default and Credit Impaired Financial Assets

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost and debt financial assets carried at FVOCI are credit-impaired. A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- Significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;

- A breach of contract such as a default or past due event;
- The lender(s) of the borrower, for economic or contractual reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulty, having granted to the borrower a concession(s) that the lender(s) would not otherwise consider;
- It is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- The disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.
- The purchase or origination of a financial asset at a deep discount that reflects the incurred credit losses.
- Others include death, insolvency, breach of covenants, etc.

A loan that has been renegotiated due to a deterioration in the borrower's condition is usually considered to be credit-impaired unless there is evidence that the risk of not receiving contractual cash flows has reduced significantly and there are no other indicators of impairment. In addition, loans that are more than 90 days past due are considered impaired. More information around rebuttal is presented under Financial Risk Management on page 142.

In making an assessment of whether an investment in sovereign debt is credit-impaired, the Group considers the following factors.

- The market's assessment of creditworthiness as reflected in the bond yields.
- The rating agencies' assessments of creditworthiness.
- The country's ability to access the capital markets for new debt issuance.
- The probability of debt being restructured, resulting in holders suffering losses through voluntary or mandatory debt forgiveness.
- The international support mechanisms in place to provide the necessary support as 'lender of last resort' to that country, as well as the intention, reflected in public statements, of governments and agencies to use those mechanisms. This includes an assessment of the depth of those mechanisms and, irrespective of the political intent, whether there is the capacity to fulfil the required criteria.

Presentation of allowance for ECL in the statement of financial position

Loan allowances for ECL are presented in the statement of financial position as follows:

- Financial assets measured at amortised cost: as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the assets;
- Loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts: generally, as a provision;
- Where a financial instrument includes both a drawn and an undrawn component, and the Group cannot identify the ECL on the loan commitment component separately from those on the drawn component: the Group presents a combined loss allowance for both components. The combined amount is presented as a deduction from the gross carrying amount

of the drawn component. Any excess of the loss allowance over the gross amount of the drawn component is presented as a provision.

VI. Write-off

The Group writes off an impaired financial asset (and the related impairment allowance), either partially or in full, where there is no reasonable expectation of recovery as set out in IFRS 9, paragraph 5.4.4. After a full evaluation of a non-performing exposure, in the event that either one or all of the following conditions apply, such exposure shall be recommended for write-off (either partially or in full):

- continued contact with the customer is impossible;
- recovery cost is expected to be higher than the outstanding debt;
- The bank's recovery method is foreclosing collateral and the value of the collateral is such that there is reasonable expectation of recovering the balance in full.

All credit facility write-offs shall require endorsement at the appropriate level, as defined by the Bank. Credit write-off approval shall be documented in writing and properly initialed by the approving authority.

A write-off constitute a derecognition event. However, financial assets that are written off could still be subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Group's procedures for recovery of amount due. Whenever amounts are recovered on previously written-off credit exposures, such amount recovered is recognised as income on a cash basis only.

VII. Embedded derivatives

An embedded derivative is a component of a hybrid contract that also includes a non-derivative host—with the effect that some of the cash flows of the combined instrument vary in a way similar to a stand-alone derivative. An embedded derivative causes some or all of the cash flows that otherwise would be required by the contract to be modified according to a specified interest rate, financial instrument price, commodity price, foreign exchange rate, index of prices or rates, credit rating or credit index, or other variable, provided in the case of a non-financial variable that the variable is not specific to a party to the contract. A derivative that is attached to a financial instrument but is contractually transferable independently of that instrument, or has a different counterparty, is not an embedded derivative, but a separate financial instrument. Where a hybrid contains a host that is a financial asset in the scope of IFRS 9, the entire hybrid contract, including the embedded features, is measured at FVTPL.

VIII. Offsetting financial instruments

Master agreements provide that, if an event of default occurs, all outstanding transactions with the counterparty will fall due and all amounts outstanding will be settled on a net basis.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a currently legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the

asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The legally enforceable right must not be contingent on future events and must be enforceable in the normal course of business and in event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy of the company or the counterparty.

Income and expenses are presented on a net basis only when permitted under IFRSs, or for gains and losses arising from a group of similar transactions such as in the Group's trading activity.

(k) Investment securities

Investment securities are initially measured at fair value plus, in case of investment securities not at fair value through profit or loss, incremental direct transaction costs and subsequently accounted for depending on their classification as amortised cost, fair value through profit or loss or fair value through other comprehensive income. See description in accounting policy Note J (ii) above.

(l) Derivatives held for Risk Management Purposes

Derivatives are classified as assets when their fair value is positive or as liabilities when their fair value is negative. Derivative assets and liabilities arising from different transactions are only offset where there is a legal right of offset of the recognised amounts and the parties intend to settle the cash flows on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Derivatives held for risk management purposes include all derivative assets and liabilities that are not classified as trading assets or liabilities. Derivatives are recognised initially at fair value; attributable transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss when incurred. Subsequent to initial recognition, derivatives are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss.

(m) Repossessed Collateral

In certain circumstances, property is repossessed following the foreclosure on loans that are in default. Repossessed properties are measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell and reported within 'Other assets'.

(n) Investment in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are reported at cost less any impairment (if any) in the separate financial statement of the Bank.

A subsidiary not consolidated but is classified as 'held for sale' if it is available for immediate sale in its present condition and its sale is highly probable. A sale is 'highly probable' where: there is evidence of management commitment; there is an active programme to locate a buyer and complete the plan; the asset is actively marketed for sale at a reasonable price compared to its fair value; the sale is expected to be completed within 12 months of the date of classification; and actions required to complete the plan indicate that it is unlikely that there will be significant changes to the plan or that it will be withdrawn.

(o) Property and equipment

(i) Recognition and measurement

The bank recognizes items of property, plant and equipment at the time the cost is incurred. These costs include costs incurred initially to acquire or construct an item of property, plant and equipment as well as the costs of its dismantlement, removal or restoration, the obligation for which an entity incurs as a consequence of using the item during a particular period.

Items of property and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. When parts of an item of property or equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property and equipment.

The assets' carrying values and useful lives are reviewed, and written down if appropriate, at each reporting date. Assets are impaired whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount is less than the recoverable amount; see note (q) on impairment of non-financial assets.

(ii) Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing part of an item of property or equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Group and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property and equipment are recognised in the income statement as incurred.

(iii) Depreciation

Depreciation is recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis to write down the cost of each asset, to their residual values over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property and equipment. Leased assets under finance lease are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives.

Depreciation begins when an asset is available for use and ceases at the earlier of the date that the asset is derecognised or classified as held for sale in accordance with IFRS 5. A non-current asset or disposal group is not depreciated while it is classified as held for sale.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative periods are as follows:

Item of Property, Plant and Equipment	Estimated Useful Life
Leasehold improvements and buildings:	
Leasehold improvements	Over the shorter of the useful life of the item or lease term
Buildings	50 years
Leasehold Land	
	Over the remaining life of the lease
Furniture and equipment:	
Furniture and fittings	5years
Machine and equipment	5years
Computer hardware	3years
Motor vehicles	4years
Aircraft	10years

Capital work in progress is not depreciated. Upon completion it is transferred to the relevant asset category. Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reassessed at each reporting date.

Cost of leasehold land is amortised over the remaining life of the lease as stated in the certificate of occupancy issued by Government.

(iv) De-recognition

An item of property and equipment is derecognised on disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on de-recognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the income statement in the year the asset is derecognised.

(p) Intangible assets

(i) Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of the acquisition over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the acquired subsidiaries at the date of acquisition. When the excess is negative, it is recognised immediately in profit or loss; Goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries is included in intangible assets.

Subsequent measurement

Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units for the purpose of impairment testing. The allocation is made to those cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the

business combination in which the goodwill arose identified in accordance with IFRS 8. Goodwill is tested annually as well as whenever a trigger event has been observed for impairment by comparing the present value of the expected future cash flows from a cash generating unit with the carrying value of its net assets, including attributable goodwill and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Impairment losses on goodwill are not reversed. Gains and losses on the disposal of an entity include the carrying amount of goodwill relating to the entity sold.

(ii) Software

Software acquired by the Group is stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Expenditure on internally developed software is recognised as an asset when the Group is able to demonstrate its intention and ability to complete the development and use the software in a manner that will generate future economic benefits, and can reliably measure the costs to complete the development. Development costs previously expensed cannot be capitalised. The capitalised costs of internally developed software include all costs directly attributable to developing the software and capitalised borrowing costs, and are amortised over its useful life. Internally developed software is stated at capitalised cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment.

Subsequent expenditure on software assets is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure is expensed as incurred.

Amortisation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the software, from the date that it is available for use since this most closely reflects the expected pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits embodied in the asset. The maximum useful life of software is five years.

Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each financial year-end and adjusted if appropriate.

(q) Impairment of Non financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's non-financial assets, inclusive of deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. For goodwill and intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives or that are available for use, the recoverable amount is estimated each year.

An impairment loss is recognised in the income statement if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable asset group that generates cash flows that largely are independent from other assets and groups. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the units and then to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is

the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

An impairment loss in respect of goodwill is not reversed. In respect of other assets, impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

(r) Deposits, debt securities issued

Deposits and debt securities issued are the Group's sources of debt funding. When the Group sells a financial asset and simultaneously enters into a "repo" or "stock lending" agreement to repurchase the asset (or a similar asset) at a fixed price on a future date, the arrangement is accounted for as a deposit, and the underlying asset continues to be recognised in the Group's financial statements.

The Group classifies capital instruments as financial liabilities or equity instruments in accordance with the substance of the contractual terms of the instruments.

Deposits and debt securities issued are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, and subsequently measured at their amortised cost using the effective interest method, except where the Group chooses to carry the liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

(s) Provisions

A provision is recognized if, as a result of a past event, the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability.

A provision for restructuring is recognised when the Group has approved a detailed and formal restructuring plan, and the restructuring either has commenced or has been announced publicly. The Group recognizes no provision for future operating losses.

A provision for onerous contracts is recognised when the expected benefits to be derived by the Group from a contract are lower than the unavoidable cost of meeting its obligations under the contract. The provision is measured at the present value of the lower of the expected cost of terminating the contract and the expected net cost of continuing with the contract. Before a provision is established, the Group recognises any impairment loss on the assets associated with that contract.

(t) Financial guarantees and loan commitments

Financial guarantees are contracts that require the Group to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument. Financial guarantee liabilities are initially recognised at their fair value, and the initial fair value is amortised over the life of the financial guarantee. After initial recognition, guarantee contracts are subsequently measured at the higher of:

- a) The amount of the loss allowance, and
- b) The amount initially recognised less, when appropriate, the cumulative amount of income recognised in accordance with the principles of IFRS 15.

Financial guarantees, principally consisting of letters of credit are included within other liabilities.

Loan commitments are firm commitments to provide credit under pre-specified terms and conditions. The Group recognises a provision in accordance with IAS 37 if the contract was considered to be onerous.

(u) Employee benefits

(i) Defined contribution plans

A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays fixed contributions to a separate entity. The rate of contribution by the Bank and its employee is 10% and 8% respectively of basic salary, housing and transport allowance. The Group has no legal or constructive obligations to pay further contributions if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

For defined contribution plans, the Group pays contributions to publicly or privately administered Pension Fund Administrators (PFA) on a mandatory, contractual or voluntary basis. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The contributions are recognised as employee benefit expense in the Statements of Comprehensive Income when they are due. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

(ii) Defined benefit plans

A defined benefit plan is a pension plan that defines an amount of pension benefit that an employee will receive on retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors, such as age, years of service and compensation.

The liability recognised in the Statements of financial position in respect of defined benefit pension plans is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the date of the Statements of financial position less the fair value of plan assets. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method. In determining the appropriate discount rate, the Group considers the market yields on Government Bonds of medium duration as compiled by the Debt Management Organisation.

Remeasurements arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions in excess of the plan assets or of the defined benefit obligation are charged or credited to Other Comprehensive Income in the financial year in which they arise. Past-service costs are recognised immediately in the Income statement.

(iii) Termination Benefits

Termination benefits are recognised as an expense when the Group is demonstrably committed, without realistic possibility of withdrawal, to a formal detailed plan to terminate employment before the normal retirement date. Termination benefits for voluntary redundancies are recognised if the Group has made an offer encouraging voluntary redundancy, it is probable that the offer will be accepted, and the number of acceptances can be estimated reliably.

(iv) Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided.

A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid under short-term cash bonus or profit-sharing plans if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

(v) Share-based payment transactions

Guaranty Trust Bank operates a cash settled share based compensation scheme managed by a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) - Guaranty Trust Bank Staff Investment Trust. The scheme was introduced as a compensation plan for the bank's management personnel to enhance employee retention, by offering the shares acquired by the SPV by way of Share Appreciation Rights (SARs) and Stock Options (hybrid plan) to qualifying members of staff at prevailing net book value.

Acquisition of the bank's shares by the SPV was by means of an overdraft facility extended to the scheme. The hybrid nature (i.e. mix of SARs and Stock Options) entitles the scheme to cash dividend which it uses to defray its obligations on the facility, make dividend payments to members that furnished consideration and extinguish its liability to exiting members. Employees exiting the scheme are granted the right to redeem their holdings for cash at the prevailing market price on fulfilment of specified vesting conditions.

At each reporting period, the fair value of the amount payable to employees in respect of share appreciation rights, which are settled in cash, is recognized as an expense, with a corresponding increase in liabilities, over the period in which the employees become unconditionally entitled to payment. Any change in the fair value of the liability is recognized as personnel expense in the bank's income statement.

(v) Discontinued operations

The Group presents discontinued operations in a separate line in the Income statement if an entity or a component of an entity has been disposed of or is classified as held for sale and:

- (a) Represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations;
- (b) Is part of a single co-ordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations; or
- (c) Is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale

Net profit from discontinued operations includes the net total of operating profit and loss before tax from operations, including net gain or loss on sale before tax or measurement to fair value less costs to sell and discontinued operations tax expense. A component of an entity comprises operations and cash flows that can be clearly distinguished, operationally and for financial reporting purposes, from the rest of the Group's operations and cash flows. If an entity or a component of an entity is classified as a discontinued operation, the Group restates prior periods in the Income statement.

Non-current assets classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Non-current assets are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount will be recovered through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. This condition is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable and the asset is available for immediate sale in its present condition, subject to terms that are usual and customary for sales of such assets.

(w) Share capital and reserves

(i) Share issue costs

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of an equity instrument are deducted from the initial measurement of the equity instrument.

(ii) Dividend on the Bank's ordinary shares

Dividends on the Bank's ordinary shares are recognised in equity when approved by the Bank's shareholders.

(iii) Treasury shares

Where the Bank or any member of the Group purchases the Bank's shares, the consideration paid is deducted from shareholders' equity as treasury shares until they are cancelled. Where such shares are subsequently sold or reissued, any consideration received is included in shareholders' equity.

(x) Earnings per share

The Group presents Basic Earnings Per Share (EPS) for its ordinary shares. Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Bank by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted EPS is determined by adjusting the profit or loss that is

attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted-average number of ordinary shares outstanding for effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

(y) Segment reporting

An operating segment is a component of the Group that engages in business activities from which it can earn revenues and incur expenses, including revenues and expenses that relate to transactions with any of the Group's other components, whose operating results are reviewed regularly by the Executive Management Committee to make decisions about resources allocated to each segment and assess its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available. All costs that are directly traceable to the operating segments are allocated to the segment concerned, while indirect costs are allocated based on the benefits derived from such costs.

(z) Levies

A levy is an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits that is imposed by governments on entities in accordance with legislation (i.e. laws and/or regulations), other than:

- Those outflows of resources that are within the scope of other Standards (such as income taxes that are within the scope of IAS 12 Income Taxes); and
- Fines or other penalties that are imposed for breaches of the legislation

The Group recognises a levy when the obligating event that gives rise to a liability as identified by the legislation, occurs. This triggers the obligation to pay the levy and recognise the expense for the period.



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(a) Introduction and overview

Guaranty Trust Bank has a robust risk culture and embrace the best practice Enterprisewide Risk Management, which aligns people, strategy, policies, processes, technology and business intelligence in order to evaluate, manage and optimize the opportunities and threats it may face in its efforts to maximize sustainable stakeholders' value within its defined risk appetite.

To continually sustain this strong risk culture, the bank adopted the COSO definition of Enterprise Risk Management which depicts ERM as a process driven by an entity's Board of Directors, Management and other personnel, applied in strategy setting and across the enterprise, to identify potential events that may affect the entity, and manage risk to be within its risk appetite, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of the entity's objectives.

This involves the application of risk management principles and processes in every business activity to determine potential threats, and adopt appropriate control measures, to contain risks in achieving the cherished objectives.

The Bank has recognised its major risk areas to include Credit, Operational, Information Technology, Market and Liquidity Risks. Risk identification in these areas is carried out by the relevant risk owners, in collaboration with the Enterprise Risk Management.

(b) Risk Management Philosophy

The Bank's risk management philosophy describes its attitude to risk taking. It is the driving force behind all the decisions made in the conduct of business activities and operations from a risk perspective. This is fittingly summarized in the following statement:

"To enhance shareholders' value by creating and maintaining a culture of intelligent risk-taking"

This philosophy is further cascaded into working statements through the following risk principles:

- The Bank's decisions will be based on careful analysis of its operating environment as well as the implications of the identified risks to the achievement of its strategic goals.
- The Bank will not take any action that will compromise its integrity
- Risk control will serve to enhance the achievement of strategic objectives.
- The Bank will always comply with all government regulations and continually espouse global best practice.
- Risk management will form a key part of the Bank's strategy setting process
- The Bank will only assume risks that fall within its risk appetite with appropriate returns.
- The Bank shall adhere to the risk management cycle of identifying, measuring, controlling and reporting risks.
- The Bank shall continually review its activities to determine the level of inherent risks and deploy appropriate risk responses at all time.

Risk Appetite

The bank recognises that there are inherent risks associated with the pursuit of growth opportunities in achieving its strategic objectives. While the risk philosophy articulates how inherent risks are considered when making

decisions, the Board and Management of the bank determine the risks that are acceptable based on its capabilities in terms of people, capital and technology.

Risk Appetite Statement

"Guaranty Trust Bank will maintain a moderate risk appetite in pursuit of its core strategies to dominate its priority sectors, expand its franchise on Africa continent, contain its operating cost whilst leveraging on technology and remain the most profitable, without taking unnecessary risks."

The bank's risk appetite statement expresses the attitude and position of the Board and Management on the approach to risk adopted across all the businesses in relation to the set strategic objectives. This statement is interpreted in quantitative and qualitative risk factors that measure the risk profile. The identified risk factors include:

- Capital Adequacy
- Earnings Growth (Profit Before Tax)
- Earnings Quality (Net Interest Margin)
- Return on Asset
- Issuer Debt Rating
- Return on Equity
- Cost-to-Income
- Asset quality (Non-Performing Loan) and Coverage,
- Cost of Risk
- Liquidity and Coverage Ratio
- Risk Asset Funding
- Obligor and Sector Concentration
- Staff Attrition
- Stop Loss Limit

Risk Tolerance

To achieve the desired impact of the risk appetite statement across all business divisions, the bank defined the risk tolerances applicable to the risk factors for measurement and monitoring purposes to enhance decision making. The tolerances are measured via a three-leg limit system which measures an extreme upper region signifying high risk or unacceptable risk level, a middle range region known as trigger point and a lower region signifying a low risk or acceptable risk level. These classifications establish the acceptable levels of variation relative to the bank's desired objective.

The set risk tolerances levels are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors and can be changed when there are compelling regulatory and operating factors.

The risk tolerance limits are monitored periodically using a dashboard which estimates the status of each risk factor. The result of the dashboard is made available to the Management and Board of Directors for informed decision(s).

(c) Risk Management Framework

The Bank's Risk Management Framework is built on a well-defined organisational structure and established policies to guide in the function of identifying, analysing, managing and monitoring the various risks inherent in the business as well as setting appropriate risk limits and controls to align the risks with the strategic objectives.

The risk management policies are subject to review at least once a year. However more frequent reviews may be conducted at the instance of the Board, when changes in laws, regulations, market conditions or the Bank's activities are material enough to impact on the continued adoption of the existing policies. The Bank, through its trainings and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined, engaging and controlled environment, in which all employees understand their roles and obligations.

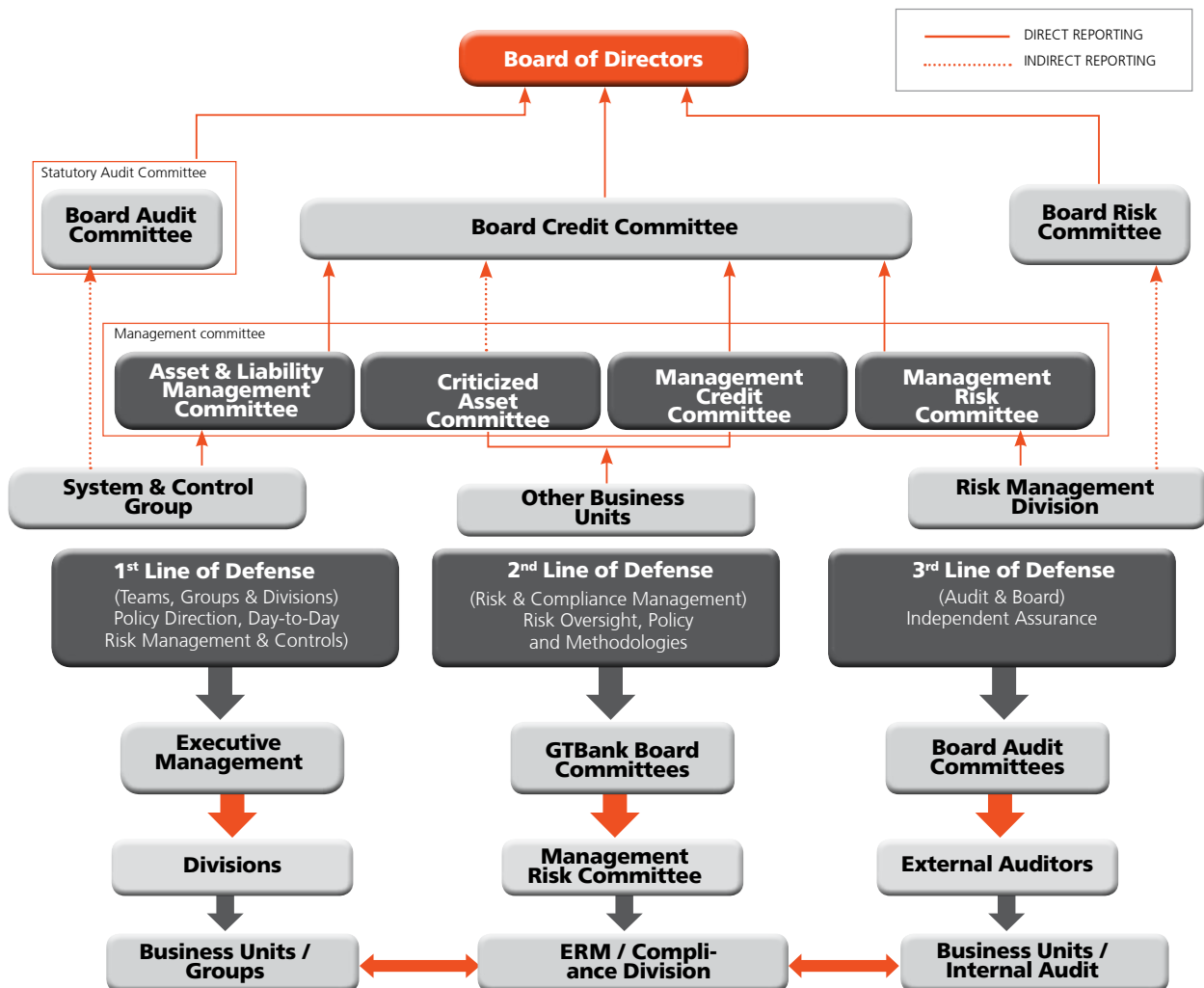
The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment of the Bank's Risk Management framework and exercises its oversight function over all the Bank's prevalent risks via its various committees; Board Risk Committee, Board Credit Committee, and Board Audit Committee. These committees are responsible for developing and monitoring risk policies in their specific areas and report regularly to the Board of Directors. All Board committees have both executive and non-executive members.

The Board Committees are assisted by the various Management Committees in identifying and assessing risks arising from day to day activities of the Bank. These committees include:

- The Management Credit Committee
- Criticized Assets Committee
- Asset and Liability Management Committee (ALMAC)
- Management Risk Committee
- IT Steering Committee
- Other Ad-hoc Committees

These committees meet on a regular basis while others are set up on an ad-hoc basis as dictated by situations.

The Risk Governance Structure of the Group



The three lines of defense model differentiated amongst the three groups involved in effective risk management include:

- Functions that own and manage risks.
- Functions that oversee risks.
- Functions that provide independent assurance.

FIRST LINE OF DEFENSE: Owns and manage the risks. They are responsible for implementing corrective actions to address process and control deficiencies; maintaining effective internal controls and executing risk and control procedures on a day-to-day basis. They also identify, assess, control and mitigate risks to ensure the achievement of set goals and objectives.

SECOND LINE OF DEFENSE: Established to perform a policy-setting and monitoring role. It is a risk management function (and/or committee) that facilitates and monitors the implementation of effective risk management practices and a compliance function that monitors various specific risks such as non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Other functions include identifying known and emerging issues, providing risk management framework, assisting management in developing processes and controls to manage risks, monitoring the adequacy and effectiveness of internal control, accuracy and completeness of reporting and timely remediation of deficiencies.

THIRD LINE OF DEFENSE: Provides objective assurance on the effectiveness of governance, risk management and internal controls. The scope of the assurance, which is reported to Senior management and Board covers a broad range of objectives, including efficiency and effectiveness of operations, safeguarding of assets, reliability and integrity of reporting processes, and compliance with laws, regulations, policies, procedures and contracts. It also includes all elements of the risk management and internal control framework.

The **Board Risk Committee** is responsible for reviewing and recommending risk management policies, procedures and profiles including risk management philosophy, risk appetite and risk tolerance of the Bank. Its oversight functions cut across all risk areas including credit risk, market and interest rate risk, liquidity risk, operational risk, reputation risk, technology risk and other major risks that may arise from time to time. The committee monitors the Bank's plans and progress in meeting regulatory and risk-based supervision requirements including Basel II compliance as well as the overall regulatory and economic capital adequacy. It also reviews and approves the contingency plan for specific risks.

The Bank's **Board Audit Committee** is responsible for monitoring compliance with the risk management policies and procedures, and for reviewing the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to risks faced by the Bank. The Audit Committee is assisted by the Internal Audit Group, in carrying out these functions. Internal Audit undertakes both regular and ad-hoc reviews of risk management controls and procedures, the results of which are reported to the Audit Committee.

The Bank's Board of Directors has delegated responsibility for the management of credit risk to the Board Credit Committee. The **Board Credit Committee** considers and approves all lending exposures, including treasury investment exposures, as well as insider-related credits in excess of limits assigned to the Management Credit Committee by the Board. The committee also ensures that the Bank's internal control procedures in the area of risk assets remain fool-proof to safeguard the quality of the Bank's risk assets.

Management Risk Committee examines risk in its entirety by reviewing and analysing environmental issues and policies impacting the Bank, either directly or remotely, and makes recommendations to the Board Risk Committee.

Management Credit Committee formulates credit policies in consultation with business units, covering credit assessment, risk grading and reporting, collateral, regulatory and statutory requirements. The committee also assesses and approves all credit exposures in excess of the Managing Director's limit set by the Board.

The **Asset & Liability Management Committee** establishes the Bank's standards and policies covering the various components of Market Risk Management. These include Interest Rate Risk, Liquidity Risk, Investment Risk and Trading Risk. It ensures that the authority delegated by the Board and Management Risk Committees with regard to Market Risk is exercised, and that Market Risk exposures are monitored, reported and managed. Furthermore, the Committee limits and monitors the potential impact of specific pre-defined market movements on the comprehensive income of the Bank through stress tests and simulations.

Criticised Assets Committee is responsible for the assessment of the bank's credit risk asset portfolio. It highlights the status of the risk assets in line with the internal and external regulatory framework and ensures that triggers are sent in respect of delinquent credit risk assets. It also ensures adequate provisions are taken in line with the regulatory and internal guidelines.

The **Credit Risk Management Group** through Credit Risk Control is responsible for identifying, controlling, monitoring and reporting credit risk related issues while Credit Administration serves as the secretariat for the Management Credit Committee meetings and managing the credit exposures related to lending and investment activities as well as other unfunded credit exposures that have default probabilities; such as contingent liabilities.

Credit risk is the most critical risk for the Bank as credit exposures, arising from lending activities account for the major portion of the Bank's assets and source of its revenue. Thus, the Bank ensures that credit risk related exposures are properly monitored, managed and controlled.

(d) Risk Management Methodology

The Bank recognizes that it is in the business of managing inherent risks to derive optimal value for all the stakeholders. It has therefore, over the years detailed its approach to risk management through various policies and procedures, which include the following:

- ERM Policy

- Credit Policy Guide
- Human Resources Policy Manual
- Quality Manual
- Standard Operating Procedures
- IT Policy

To ensure adherence to the policies and procedures, several exception reports on activities are generated by the various audit/control function units for management decision making. These include:

- Monthly Performance Review (MPR) for the marketing teams
- Monthly Operations Performance Reports (OPR) for the support teams
- Quarterly Business Performance Review
- Annual Bank-wide performance appraisal systems
- Monthly Expense Control Monitoring Report
- Criticized Asset Committee Report

(e) Risk Management Overview

The Enterprise-wide Risk Management Division is responsible for optimising the risks and returns inherent in the business through the effective collaboration with the business facing units. The risk management infrastructure encompasses a comprehensive approach to identifying, managing, monitoring and reporting risks with focus on the following:

- Inherent Risk Groups – Credit, Market, Operational, Liquidity and Information Security.
- Other Risk Areas – Reputational and Strategic Risk

In line with best global practices and to align with Basel II Capital requirements, the Bank incorporated a strategic framework for the efficient measurement and management of risks and capital. The Bank has implemented the Basel II recommended capital measurement approaches for the estimate of economic capital required to cope with unexpected losses using Oracle Financial Services Analytical Applications. The Bank has also put in place other qualitative and quantitative measures that will assist with enhancing risk management processes and creating a platform for more risk-adjusted decision-making.

(f) Credit risk

Lending and other financial activities form the core business of the Bank and in recognition of this, great emphasis is placed on effective management of its exposure to credit risk. The Bank defines credit risk as the risk of failure by a counterparty to meet the terms of any lending contracts with the Bank or otherwise to perform as agreed. Credit risk arises anytime funds are extended, committed, invested or otherwise exposed through actual or implied contractual agreements.

The specific credit risk objectives, as contained in the Credit Risk Management Framework, are:

- Maintenance of an efficient loan portfolio
- Institutionalization of sound credit culture

- Adoption of international best practices in credit risk management
- Development of Credit Risk Management professionals.

Each business unit is required to implement the credit policies and procedures in line with the the credit policy guide as approved by the Board. Each business unit is responsible for the quality and performance of its credit portfolio and for monitoring and controlling all credit risks in its portfolio, including those subject to Management Credit Committee's approval. The Internal Audit and Credit Administration respectively undertake regular reviews of business units and credit quality reviews.

The Bank continues to focus attention on intrinsic and concentration risks inherent in its businesses in order to effectively manage the portfolio risk. The credit portfolio concentration limits that are set and measured under concentration limits per obligor, business lines, sector, rating grade, geography and collateral.

The Bank drives the credit risk management processes using appropriate scalable technology to achieve global best practices. To comply with the CBN requirements on implementation of Basel II, especially with the computation of capital adequacy ratio and market disclosure, the Group invested in two major softwares namely: Lead to Loan Credit Solution and OFSAA Basel II solution. These softwares are customised to suit the internal processes and seamlessly interact with the bank's core banking application.

To meet the Basel II (Pillar 2) requirements, the Bank developed a comprehensive Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP) document, which detailed approaches and procedures on how the bank measures and compute its various risks and capital requirements. The document also contain details of the capital planning process and it is updated annually.

Lead to Loan is an integrated credit solution software which manages credit customers' profiles, rating scores, documents and collateral management, credit workflow processes, disbursement, recoveries and collection.

OFSAA Basel II solution is an Oracle Financial Services Analytical Application which is capable of handling the complete range of calculations covered in the Basel II Accord.

For capital adequacy computation under Basel II Pillar I, the Bank has implemented the Standardized Approach for the three risk areas – Credit, Market & Operational risk and the Advanced Internal Rating Based (AIRB) Approach using the OFSAA Basel II solution software. The advanced measurement approach for credit risk uses PD, LGD and EAD as the input parameters.

(i) Management of Credit Risk

The Board of Directors has delegated responsibility for the management of credit risk to its Board Credit Committee. The Management Credit Committee reporting to the Board Credit Committee is responsible for oversight of the Bank's credit risk, including:

- Formulating credit policies in consultation with business units, covering collateral requirements, credit assessment, risk grading and reporting, documentation and legal procedures, and compliance with regulatory and statutory requirements.

- Establishing the authorisation structure for the approval and renewal of credit facilities. Authorisation limits are allocated to business unit heads. Larger facilities require approval by the Deputy Managing Director, Managing Director, Management Credit Committee, and the Board Credit Committee-Board of Directors as appropriate.
- Reviewing and assessing credit risk. Management Credit Committee assesses all credit exposures in excess of designated limits, prior to facilities being committed to customers by the business unit concerned. Renewals and reviews of facilities are subject to the same review process.
- Developing and maintaining the Bank's risk rating in order to categorise exposures according to the degree of risk of financial loss faced and to attention management on the attendant risks. The current risk rating framework consists of ten grades reflecting varying degrees of risk of default with rating "1" as the best and "10" as lost. The risk ratings are subject to regular reviews by Credit Risk Management Group.
- Reviewing compliance of business units with agreed exposure limits. Regular review and reports are provided by the Risk Management Group on the credit quality and appropriate corrective actions are taken.
- Providing advice, guidance and specialist skills to business units to promote best practice throughout the Bank in the management of credit risk.

Business units are required to implement the Bank's credit policies and procedures, with credit approval authorised by the Board Credit Committee.

(ii) Credit Risk Measurement

In line with IFRS 9, the bank has adopted Expected Credit Loss (ECL) approach effective January 1, 2018. IFRS 9 adopts dual measurement approach to determining expected credit loss. The 12 month ECL is applicable to credit exposure in Stage 1 where there is no significant deterioration in credit quality. It is computed as loss allowance. The lifetime ECL is the loss allowance computed for credit exposures in Stage 2 and 3. As part of the evolving risk culture, the bank developed internal rating models along the bank's business segments (Corporate, Commercial, Retail and Small and Medium Enterprises) consistent with international rating agencies with historical data of over five years. This has enabled the bank to successfully implement the Internal Rating Based Approach as well as the implementation of Expected Credit Loss measurement.

IFRS 9 Expected Credit Loss measurement approach is a proactive way of determining the extent of future loss(es) associated with risk exposures in the bank's portfolio. Key aspect of ECL approach is the incorporation of the macroeconomic indicators (forecast) into the computation of the future credit loss. The credit impairment under IFRS 9 is determined using a forward looking method of impairment evaluation by assuming that every risk exposures have inherent credit loss.

The Bank undertakes lending activities after careful analysis of the borrowers' character, capacity to repay, cash flow, credit history, industry conditions and other factors. In the analysis, the applied parameters are determined by each business segment because of the differences in the inherent risks.

The Bank's rating grades reflect the range of parameters internally developed to predict the default probabilities of each rating class in line with international best practices and in compliance with BASEL II requirements. The grades reflect granularities and are handled by Account Officers and Relationship Managers with validation by Credit Risk Management Group.

Rating Grade	Description	Characteristics
1 (AAA)	Exceptional Credit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceptional credit quality • Obligors with overwhelming capacity to meet obligation • Top multinationals / corporations • Good track record • Strong brand name • Strong equity and assets • Strong cash flows • Full cash coverage
2 (AA)	Superior Credit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very high credit quality • Exceptionally high cash flow coverage (historical and projected) • Very strong balance sheets with high liquid assets • Excellent asset quality • Access to global capital markets • Typically large national corporate in stable industries and with significant market share
3 (A)	Minimal Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High quality borrowers • Good asset quality and liquidity position • Strong debt repayment capacity and coverage • Very good management • Though credit fundamentals are strong, it may suffer some temporary setback if any of them are adversely affected • Typically in stable industries

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4 (BBB)	Above Average	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good asset quality and liquidity • Very good debt capacity but smaller margins of debt service coverage • Good management in key areas • Temporary difficulties can be overcome to meet debt obligations • Good management but depth may be an issue • Good character of owner • Typically good companies in cyclical industries
5 (BB)	Average	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Satisfactory asset quality and liquidity • Good debt capacity but smaller margins of debt service coverage • Reasonable management in key areas • Temporary difficulties can be overcome to meet debt obligations • Good management but depth may be an issue • Satisfactory character of owner • Typically good companies in cyclical industries
6 (B)	Acceptable Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited debt capacity and modest debt service coverage • Could be currently performing but susceptible to poor industry conditions and operational difficulties • Declining collateral quality • Management and owners are good or passable • Typically borrowers in declining markets or with small market share and operating in cyclical industries
7 (CCC)	Watch-list	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eliciting signs of deterioration as a result of well defined weaknesses that may impair repayment • Typically start-ups / declining markets/deteriorating industries with high industry risk • Financial fundamentals below average • Weak management • Poor information disclosure
8 (CC)	Substandard Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well-defined weaknesses though significant loss unlikely; orderly liquidation of debt under threat • Continued strength is on collateral or residual repayment capacity of obligor • Partial losses of principal and interest possible if weaknesses are not promptly rectified • Questionable management skills
9 (C)	Doubtful Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High probability of partial loss • Very weak credit fundamentals which make full debt repayment in serious doubt • Factors exist that may mitigate the potential loss but awaiting appropriate time to determine final status • Demonstrable management weaknesses, poor repayment weaknesses and poor repayment profile
10 (D)	Lost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A definite loss of principal and interest • Lack of capacity to repay unsecured debt • Bleak economic prospects • Though it is still possible to recover sometime in the future, it is imprudent to defer write-offs

Risk ratings models form the building blocks for the determination of default risk of counterparties. The models are back-tested to ascertain the predictive capabilities relative to actual performance and make necessary amendments as necessary to enhance their effectiveness.

Because significant increase in credit risk is the main factor that determines movement of a financial asset from Stage 1 to Stage 2, all obligors with downward movement of credit rating of more than 3 notches or any movement into rating 7 are migrated to

Stage 2. An obligor is moved into Stage 3 when there is rating migration to rating grade 8 to 10.

A facility in Stage 3 can subsequently be deemed "cured". A facility is deemed to be "cured" when there is a significant reduction in the credit risk of the financial instrument. "Cured" facilities within Stage 2 are monitored for a probationary period of 90 days to confirm if the credit risk has decreased sufficiently before they can be migrated from Stage 2 to Stage 1 while "Cured" facilities within Stage 3 are monitored for a probation-

ary period of 180 days before migration from Stage 3 to Stage 1. The decrease in risk of default is reflected in the obligor's Risk Rating which is a critical input for Staging.

In computing the Expected Credit Loss (ECL), the bank considers four components listed below:

1. Probability of Default (PD) – This is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon (e.g. 12 months or lifetime). The bank assesses the probability of default of individual counterparties using internal rating tools tailored to the various categories of counterparty. The tools have been developed internally using rigorous statistical analysis and the professional judgement of credit analysts.

The rating tool combines both qualitative and quantitative factors comparable to internationally available standards. The rating methods are subject to backtest to ensure that they reflect the latest projection in the light of all actually observed defaults.

The Bank uses a statistical approach in estimating the PD considering macroeconomic indicators and obligor specific data. The statistical model specifies the relationship between the inputs and the outcome - PD. The parameters determined depend on the data used to develop the model.

For the purpose of estimating an IFRS 9 complaint PD, the Bank adopts Logistic Regression method one of the highly recommended statistical techniques. This is a statistical method for analysing a dataset in which there are one or more independent variables (macro-economic/obligor specific data) that determine an outcome (probability of default).

The default status of an obligor (a function of customerrating) is used as dependent variable while macro-economic variables (such as interest rate, GDP growth rate, unemployment rate etc.) and customer specific information (e.g. changes in obligor's rating and interest rate) are used as independent variables. The default status reflects the credit ratings assigned to customers. These ratings are generated based on due consideration of obligor specific quantitative (financial) and qualitative (non-financial) information such as age, loan type, industry, management structure, business risk etc.

The core input used to determine PDs are the internal ratings generated by the Bank's Credit Analysis sub-system (Lead to Loan). These ratings are assigned to customers after careful review of quantitative and qualitative factors specific to the obligor, macro indicators and industry information. The Bank's rating model currently considers past and current economic information, however, the accounting standard requires that forward looking information is incorporated into the PD determination.

To achieve an IFRS 9 compliant PD, the Bank adopted Logistic Regression model which incorporates the macroeconomic forecasts into the PD determination process. The Normal scenario macroeconomic variables used for the purpose of the forecast is obtained from credible sources while the Upturn and Downturn scenarios are derived based on historical trend analysis and management's unbiased estimates of forward looking macroeconomic indicators.

The Bank uses Simplified approach in determining PDs for the following other financial instruments:

1. Investments in securities issued by Sovereign
2. Investments in securities issued by State Government
3. Interbank Placements

2. Exposure at Default (EAD) – This is an estimate of the exposure at a future default date, taking into account expected changes in the exposure after the reporting date, including repayments of principal and interest, and expected drawdown on committed facilities.

EAD measures the utilised exposure at default. For on-balance sheet exposures, the gross value of the exposure is taken into account, and off-balance sheet exposures a credit conversion factor (CCF) is used to estimate future utilisation. The off balance sheet exposures are considered when performing staging and ECL calculations.

The modelling approach for EAD reflects expected changes in the balance outstanding over the lifetime of the loan exposure that are permitted by the current contractual terms. This expected changes includes:

- Contractual repayments/amortization schedule
- Prepayments (i.e. early repayment)
- Changes in utilization of an undrawn commitment within agreed credit limits in advance of default.

This cash-flow model further reflects movements in the EAD in the months before default. Interest payments receivable on the account as at the reporting date is included in the EAD to reflect an expectation that these interest payments could be missed in the eventuality/occurrence of a default.

The inputs into the EAD model are reviewed to assess their suitability for IFRS 9 and adjusted, where required, to ensure an unbiased, probability-weighted ECL calculation reflecting current expectations and forward-looking information.

3. Loss Given Default (LGD) – This is an estimate of the loss arising on default. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the lender would expect to receive, including from any collateral. It is usually expressed as a percentage of the EAD. It typically varies by type of counterparty, type of exposure and seniority of claim and availability of collateral or other credit support.

The Bank uses the Workout and Recovery Approach in determining its LGD. This approach models LGD based on the actual cash flows that can be recovered from a firm by the workout process, once default has occurred. The methodology involves prediction of the future cash flows that can be recovered from a company, after it has defaulted on its payments. It takes into account all cash flows from the distressed asset linked to the recovery.

The forecasted cash flows are discounted using the EIR. These discounted cash flows are summed up to provide the expected recovery amount. The total exposure of the firm at the time of default minus the expected recovery amount gives the loss given default in absolute terms. The ratio of loss given default in absolute value to exposure at default gives the LGD in percentage terms.

The Bank incorporates FLI into the LGD model through adjustments to the collateral values to reflect their fair value and the EAD to reflect prepayment rates and foreign currency adjustments (on foreign currency denominated facilities).

4. Discount Rate – This is used to discount an expected loss to a present value at the reporting date using the effective interest rate (EIR) (or where applicable, other rate permitted by IFRS 9) determined at initial recognition.

(iii) Risk Limit Control and Mitigation Policies

The Bank applies limits to control credit risk concentration and diversification of its risk assets portfolio. Limits are maintained for individual borrowers and groups of related borrowers, business lines, sectors, rating grade, collateral type and geographical area.

The obligor limit as set by the regulators and it is currently at 20% of the Bank's shareholders' funds is adopted and it covers exposures to counterparties and related parties.

In addition to the regulatory limit, other parameters are applied internally to determine the suitable limits that an individual borrower should have. These include: obligor rating, position in the industry and perceived requirements of key players (e.g. import finance limit may be determined by the customer's import cycle

and volume during each cycle), financial analysis, etc.

Economic sector limits are imposed to guide against concentration risk as a result of exposures to set of counterparties operating in a particular industry. The industry limits are arrived at after rigorous analysis of the risks inherent in the industries/economic sectors.

These limits are usually recommended by Credit Risk Management Group and approved by the Board. The limits set for each industry or economic sector depend on the historical performance of the sector as well as the intelligence report on the outlook of the sector.

During a review period, limits can be realigned (by way of outright removal, reduction or increase) to meet the exigencies of the prevailing macroeconomic events.

Approval decisions are guided by strategic focus as well as the stated risk appetite and other limits established by the Board of Directors or Regulatory authorities such as Aggregate Large Exposure Limits, Single Obligor Limits, Geographical Limits, Industry/ Economic sector limits etc. Internal credit approval limits are set for various levels of officers in the credit approval process to enhance turnaround time.

The lending authority in the Group flows through the management hierarchy with the final authority residing with the Board of Directors as indicated below:

Designation	Limit
Board of Directors	Up to the single obligor limit as advised by the regulatory authorities from time to time but currently put at 20% of shareholders' funds (total equity)
Management Credit Committee	Up to N2 Billion
Managing Director	Up to N500 Million
Deputy Managing Director	Up to N300 Million
Other Approving Officers	as delegated by the Managing Director

The above limits are subject to the following overriding approvals:

- The deposit required for all cash collateralized facilities (with the exception of bonds, guarantees and indemnities) must be 125% of the facility amount to provide a cushion for interest and other charges.
- All new facilities, up till the Deputy Managing Director approval limit, require one-up approval i.e. approval at a level higher than that of the person that would ordinarily approve it.

Master Netting Arrangements

Master netting arrangements are entered into to manage its exposure to credit losses, where applicable, with counterparties with which it undertakes a significant volume of transactions. The right to set off is triggered at default. By so doing, the credit risk associated with favourable contracts is reduced by a master netting arrangement to the extent that if a default occurs, all amounts with the counterparty are terminated and settled on a net basis.

The overall exposure to credit risk on derivative instruments subject to master netting arrangements can change substantially within a short period, as it is affected by each transaction subject to the arrangement.

Off-balance sheet engagements

These instruments are contingent in nature and carry the same credit risk as loans and advances. As a policy, all off-balance sheet exposures are subjected to the same rigorous credit analysis, like that of the on-balance sheet exposures, before avilment. The major off-balance sheet items in the books are Bonds and Guarantees, which will only issue where it has full cash collateral or a counter guarantee from a first class bank, or any other acceptable security.

Contingencies

Contingent assets/liabilities which include transaction related to bonds and guarantees, letters of credit and short term foreign currency related transactions, are not recognized in the annual financial statements but are disclosed.

Placements

Placement lines cover the settlement risks inherent in the activities with these counterparties. The approved limits are arrived at after conducting fundamental analysis of the counterparties, presentation of findings to, and approval by the Management Credit Committee. The lines are monitored by the Enterprise-wide Risk Management Division. As a rule, placements with local banks are backed by treasury bills.

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

IFRS 7 requires the Group to disclose the amounts that best represents its maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of the reporting period without taking account of any collateral held or other credit enhancements (eg netting agreements that do not qualify for offset in accordance with IAS 32). This disclosure is presented below for the Bank and Group as at 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2018.

Credit risk exposure relating to On-Balance Sheet

In thousands of Nigerian Naira Classification	Maximum exposure Group		Maximum exposure Parent	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Cash and bank balances:				
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	131,090,460	72,552,069	87,429,812	47,484,035
- Balances held with other banks	212,812,153	208,289,218	87,974,144	75,142,158
- Money market placements	189,374,679	331,989,039	182,861,861	291,334,276
Loans and advances to banks	1,513,310	2,994,642	72,451	46,074
Loans and advances to customers ¹ :				
- Loans to individuals	197,560,417	147,603,603	148,997,894	97,756,079
- Loans to non-individuals	1,303,011,629	1,111,406,756	1,151,822,753	970,242,940
Financial assets held for trading:				
- Debt securities	73,486,101	11,314,814	44,717,688	8,920,153
- Derivative financial instruments	26,011,823	3,854,921	26,011,823	3,854,921
Investment securities:				
- Debt securities	759,592,990	633,613,868	526,384,355	460,551,315
Assets pledged as collateral:				
- Debt securities	58,036,855	56,777,170	57,790,749	56,291,739
Restricted deposits and other assets ²	507,475,557	473,570,394	497,181,604	472,130,644
Total	3,459,965,974	3,053,966,494	2,811,245,134	2,483,754,334
Loans exposure to total exposure	43%	41%	46%	43%
Debt securities exposure to total exposure	26%	23%	22%	21%
Other exposures to total exposure	31%	36%	32%	36%

As shown above, 43% (Parent: 46%) of the total maximum exposures is derived from loans and advances to banks and customers (2018: 41% ; Parent: 43%); while 26% (Parent: 22%) represents exposure to investments in debt securities (2018: 23% ; Parent: 21%). The Directors are confident in their ability to continue to control exposure to credit risk within a specified risk appetite which can result from both its Loans and Advances portfolio and Debt securities.

¹ Further classification of Loans to Customers along product lines are provided on the next page.

² Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

Credit risk exposure relating to Off-Balance Sheet

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Maximum exposure Group		Maximum exposure Parent	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Financial guarantees	351,764,791	386,386,612	320,056,325	362,816,565
Other contingents	61,576,798	54,664,913	22,753,615	22,059,650
Total	413,341,589	441,051,525	342,809,940	384,876,215

Contingencies are disclosed on Note 43

Classification of Maximum Exposure on Loans to Customers by Product

Loans and advances have been classified into Overdraft, Loans and Others throughout the Financials Statement.

- Overdraft are lines of credit which allow customers to write cheques for more than the actual balance on their accounts usually to finance working capital.
- Loans include non-revolving facilities given to finance specific transactions, capital projects or a customer's expansion Programme.
- Others include Usances and Usance Settlement.

Maximum exposure on Loans and advances to customers is analysed below:

	Group		Parent	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Loans to individuals:				
Overdraft	11,854,656	10,072,957	10,683,684	8,486,883
Loans	185,636,521	137,478,680	138,314,210	89,269,196
Others	69,240	51,966	-	-
	197,560,417	147,603,603	148,997,894	97,756,079
Loans to non-individuals:				
Overdraft	94,888,966	109,885,323	51,492,269	82,146,104
Loans	1,171,580,625	953,126,794	1,064,290,318	839,702,197
Others	36,542,038	48,394,639	36,040,166	48,394,639
	1,303,011,629	1,111,406,756	1,151,822,753	970,242,940

Credit quality of Financial Assets

IFRS 7 requires information about the credit quality of financial assets. This information is provided below for balances held with counterparty, money market placements, financial assets held for trading and investment securities.

Unrestricted balances with central banks, Balances held with other banks, Money Market placements, financial assets held for trading and Investment Securities

Unrestricted balances with central banks

The credit quality of Unrestricted balances with central banks are assessed by reference to external credit ratings information about counterparty default rates.

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Credit quality Group		Credit quality Parent	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Sovereign Ratings				
Nigeria (B) S&P	87,429,812	47,484,035	87,429,812	47,484,035
Fitch:				
B+	7,795,597	-	-	-
B	23,426,424	-	-	-
unrated	12,438,627	25,068,034	-	-
	131,090,460	72,552,069	87,429,812	47,484,035

Restricted and Unrestricted balances with Central Bank of Nigeria are assigned Sovereign rating of B from S&P

A significant portion of the Group's unrated financial assets relates to cash balances held with central banks as well as sovereign debt securities for which no external ratings are available. For such assets, the Group considers the credit quality of the counterparty, taking into account its financial position, past experience and other factors. Exposure limits are set and compliance is monitored by management.

Balances held with other banks

The credit quality of Balances held with other banks are assessed by reference to external credit ratings information about counterparty default rates.

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Credit quality Group		Credit quality Parent	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Counterparties with external credit rating (S&P)				
AAA	12,695,167	-	-	-
AA+	359,155	430,548	437,412	430,548
AA	36,990,905	8,759,168	-	-
AA-	5,945,878	36,539	37,122	36,539
A+	84,371,341	57,110,516	70,616,217	50,815,129
A	23,219,149	19,038,477	998,982	1,110,811
A-1	-	1,081,566	-	-
A-	25,929,422	760,117	3,609,757	33,660
BBB+	1,047,992	9,261,474	-	-
BBB	7,425,018	1,901,878	2,526,391	1,901,878
BBB-	8,123,002	8,620,295	-	-
BB+	1,369,174	8,622,922	928	4,378
B+	497,366	83,131	-	-
B	520,592	1,101,482	-	-
Unrated	4,317,992	33,627,560	9,747,335	20,809,215
Counterparties with external credit rating (Fitch)				
A	-	11,042,526	-	-
A-	-	11,068,869	-	-
AA-	-	11,281,530	-	-
BBB+	-	8,727,158	-	-
BBB-	-	108,083	-	-
BB	-	8,857,379	-	-
BB-	-	6,768,000	-	-
	212,812,153	208,289,218	87,974,144	75,142,158

Money Market placements

The credit quality of Money Market placements are assessed by reference to external credit ratings information about counterparty default rates.

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Credit quality Group		Credit quality Parent	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Counterparties with external credit rating (S&P)				
A	-	4,305,480	-	-
A-1+	1,825,841	17,976,425	1,825,841	17,976,425
A-1	107,225,738	220,443,523	107,225,738	220,443,523
A-	1,093,530	-	-	-
A-2	61,117,517	42,238,966	61,117,517	42,238,966
BBB+	2,167,193	-	-	-
BB+	2,554,517	-	-	-
B+	255,157	-	-	-
B	6,953,335	46,396,933	-	-
	183,192,828	331,361,327	170,169,096	280,658,914
Sovereign Ratings				
Nigeria (B) S&P	2,000,466	-	2,000,466	-
	2,000,466	-	2,000,466	-
Counterparties without external credit rating				
Unrated	4,181,385	627,712	-	-
Foreign Subsidiaries	-	-	10,692,299	10,675,362
	4,181,385	627,712	10,692,299	10,675,362
	189,374,679	331,989,039	182,861,861	291,334,276

Financial Assets Held for trading

The credit quality of Financial Assets Held for trading are assessed by reference to external credit ratings information about counterparty default rates.

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Credit quality Group		Credit quality Parent	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Sovereign Ratings				
Other Sovereign (B) S&P	28,768,413	2,394,661	-	-
Nigeria (B) S&P	44,717,688	8,920,153	44,717,688	8,920,153
	73,486,101	11,314,814	44,717,688	8,920,153

Investment Securities

The credit quality of investment securities are assessed by reference to external credit ratings information about counterparty default rates.

In thousands of Nigerian Naira		Credit quality Group		Credit quality Parent	
		Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Sovereign Ratings:					
	AA	35,265,886	34,274,921	-	-
	B+	56,035,752	44,011,235	-	-
	Nigeria (B) S&P	494,546,406	451,167,653	494,546,406	451,167,653
	Other Sovereign Rating (B) S&P	104,830,946	65,158,706	-	-
Counterparties with external credit rating (S&P):					
	A-1	29,834,367	-	29,834,367	-
	B-	-	7,380,390	-	7,380,390
	unrated	37,076,051	29,617,691	-	-
Counterparties with external credit rating (Agusto):					
	Aa-	2,003,582	2,003,272	2,003,582	2,003,272
		759,592,990	633,613,868	526,384,355	460,551,315

Of the Parent's Investment Securities of N526,384,355,000 (Dec 2018: N460,551,315,000) the sum of N494,546,406,000 (2018: N451,167,653,000) relate to investment in treasury bills and bond issued by the Federal Government of Nigeria and bears the sovereign risk of the Federal Government of Nigeria. The federal republic of Nigeria currently has a foreign long term issuer credit rating of B (S&P).

Assets pledged as collateral

The credit quality of Assets pledged as collateral are assessed by reference to external credit ratings information about counterparty default rates.

In thousands of Nigerian Naira		Group		Parent	
		Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Sovereign Ratings					
	Nigeria (B) S&P	57,790,749	56,291,739	57,790,749	56,291,739
	B+	246,106	485,431	-	-
		58,036,855	56,777,170	57,790,749	56,291,739

Restricted deposits and other assets

The credit quality of Restricted deposits and other assets are assessed by reference to external credit ratings information about counterparty default rates.

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group		Parent	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
Sovereign Ratings				
Other Sovereign Rating (B+) S&P	10,293,953	1,439,750	-	-
Nigeria (B) S&P	466,389,023	429,073,791	466,389,023	429,073,791
Counterparties with external credit rating (S&P)				
A-1	7,481,723	6,899,318	7,481,723	6,899,318
A-1+	4,016,660	214,484	4,016,660	214,484
A-2	2,444,354	1,989,358	2,444,354	1,989,358
Unrated	16,849,844	33,953,693	16,849,844	33,953,693
	507,475,557	473,570,394	497,181,604	472,130,644

Rating Legend:

External credit rating (S&P)	External credit rating (S&P)	External credit rating (Agusto):
AA+: Very Strong Capacity to Repay	BB+: Moderate Capacity to Repay	A- : Strong capacity to meet obligations
AA: Very Strong Capacity to Repay	BB: Speculative credit rating	B: Weak Financial condition but obligations are still being met as and when they fall due
AA-: Very Strong Capacity to Repay	B+: Highly Speculative Credit Rating	
A+: Strong Capacity to Repay	B: Highly Speculative Credit Rating	External credit rating (Fitch)
A: Strong Capacity to Repay	B-: Highly Speculative Credit Rating	AA-: High grade
A-: Strong Capacity to Repay	C: Speculative Credit Rating	A: High grade
A-1+ : Prime Rating	External credit rating (Moody's)	A-: Upper medium grade
A-1 : Upper Medium Credit Rating	P-3: Moderate Capacity to Repay	BBB+: Lower medium grade
A-2 : Upper Medium Credit Rating	F1+: Strong capacity to repay	BBB-: Lower medium grade
A-3 : Lower Medium Credit Rating	F1: Strong capacity to repay	BB: Non investment grade speculative
BBB+: Adequate Capacity to Repay	External credit rating (Agusto):	BB-: Non investment grade speculative
BBB: Adequate Capacity to Repay	Aa- : Very strong capacity to repay	B: Speculative credit rating
BBB-: Adequate Capacity to Repay	A : Strong capacity to repay	B+: Speculative credit rating

Credit Concentration

IFRS 7 requires disclosures on credit risk concentration. Concentration of risk arise from financial instruments that have similar characteristics and are affected similarly by changes in economic or other conditions. This information has been provided along geographical areas and economic sectors.

(i) Geographical Sector

Concentration of risks of financial assets with credit risk exposure

The following table breaks down the Group's credit exposure (without taking into account any collateral held or other credit support), as categorised by geographical region as at the reporting date. For this table, the Group has allocated exposures to regions based on the country of domicile of its counterparties.

Credit risk exposure relating to On-Balance Sheet

Group
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Cash and bank balances:				
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	87,429,812	43,660,648	-	131,090,460
- Balances held with other banks	1,027,617	15,708,340	196,076,196	212,812,153
- Money market placements	11,624,524	19,407,447	158,342,708	189,374,679
Loans and advances to banks	72,451	1,224,333	216,526	1,513,310
Loans and advances to customers ¹ :				
- Loans to individuals	148,997,894	18,232,653	30,329,870	197,560,417
- Loans to non-individuals	1,151,822,816	151,188,813	-	1,303,011,629
Financial assets held for trading:				
- Debt securities	44,717,688	28,768,413	-	73,486,101
- Derivative financial instruments	26,011,823	-	-	26,011,823
Investment securities:				
- Debt securities	526,384,355	197,943,123	35,265,512	759,592,990
Assets pledged as collateral:				
- Debt securities	57,790,749	246,106	-	58,036,855
Restricted deposits and other assets ²	477,631,321	17,866,738	11,977,498	507,475,557
	2,533,511,050	494,246,614	432,208,310	3,459,965,974

¹ Further classification of Loans & Advances to Customers along product lines is provided on the next page.

² Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

Of the Group's Credit risk exposure outside Africa relating to On-balance sheet, 18% relates to exposures in United States of America, 81% relates to exposures in United Kingdom and 1% relates to exposures in other countries.

Credit risk exposure relating to Off-Balance Sheet

Credit Risk Exposure relating to off-balance sheet items are as follows:

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Financial guarantees	320,056,325	29,174,871	2,533,595	351,764,791
Other contingents	22,753,615	32,506,559	6,316,624	61,576,798
	342,809,940	61,681,430	8,850,219	413,341,589

Contingencies are disclosed on Note 43

Classification of Credit Concentration on Loans to Customers by Product

The maximum credit exposure of Loans & advances across geographical region and product lines is shown below:

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Loans to individuals:				
Overdraft	10,683,684	1,152,558	18,414	11,854,656
Loans	138,314,210	17,071,299	30,251,012	185,636,521
Others	-	8,796	60,444	69,240
	148,997,894	18,232,653	30,329,870	197,560,417
Loans to non-individuals:				
Overdraft	51,492,332	43,396,634	-	94,888,966
Loans	1,064,290,318	107,290,307	-	1,171,580,625
Others [#]	36,040,166	501,872	-	36,542,038
	1,151,822,816	151,188,813	-	1,303,011,629

[#] Others include Usances and Usance Settlement.

Credit risk exposure relating to On-Balance Sheet

Group
Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Cash and bank balances:				
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	47,484,035	25,068,034	-	72,552,069
- Balances held with other banks	2,477,768	27,180,623	178,630,827	208,289,218
- Money market placements	-	69,306,550	262,682,489	331,989,039
Loans and advances to banks	46,074	1,954,910	993,658	2,994,642
Loans and advances to customers ¹ :				
- Loans to individuals	97,756,079	14,831,056	35,016,468	147,603,603
- Loans to non-individuals	969,525,601	141,881,155	-	1,111,406,756
Financial assets held for trading:				
- Debt securities	8,920,153	2,394,661	-	11,314,814
- Derivative financial instruments	3,854,921	-	-	3,854,921
Investment securities:				
- Debt securities	453,170,925	138,787,740	41,655,203	633,613,868
Assets pledged as collateral:				
- Debt securities	56,291,739	485,431	-	56,777,170
Restricted deposits and other assets ²	456,963,714	2,875,551	13,731,129	473,570,394
	2,096,491,009	424,765,711	532,709,774	3,053,966,494

¹ Further classification of Loans & Advances to Customers along product lines is provided on the next page.

² Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

Of the Group's Credit risk exposure outside Africa relating to On-balance sheet, 19% relates to exposures in United States of America, 80% relates to exposures in United Kingdom and 1% relates to exposures in other countries.

Credit risk exposure relating to Off-Balance Sheet

Credit Risk Exposure relating to off-balance sheet items are as follows:

Group Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Financial guarantees	362,816,565	21,789,182	1,780,865	386,386,612
Other contingents	22,059,650	24,671,753	7,933,510	54,664,913
	384,876,215	46,460,935	9,714,375	441,051,525

Contingencies are disclosed on Note 43

Classification of Credit Concentration on Loans to Customers by Product

The maximum credit exposure of loans and advances across geographical regions and product lines is shown below

Group Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Loans to individuals:				
Overdraft	5,367,025	4,654,082	51,850	10,072,957
Loans	92,389,054	10,125,008	34,964,618	137,478,680
Others	-	51,966	-	51,966
	97,756,079	14,831,056	35,016,468	147,603,603
Loans to non-individuals:				
Overdraft	81,658,806	28,226,517	-	109,885,323
Loans	839,472,156	113,654,638	-	953,126,794
Others ¹	48,394,639	-	-	48,394,639
	969,525,601	141,881,155	-	1,111,406,756

¹ Others include Usances and Usance Settlement.

Credit risk exposure relating to On-Balance Sheet

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Cash and bank balances:				
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	87,429,812	-	-	87,429,812
- Balances held with other banks	791,158	438,340	86,744,646	87,974,144
- Money market placements	11,624,524	1,825,841	169,411,496	182,861,861
Loans and advances to banks				
	72,451	-	-	72,451
Loans and advances to customers ¹ :				
- Loans to individuals	148,997,894	-	-	148,997,894
- Loans to non-individuals	1,151,822,753	-	-	1,151,822,753
Financial assets held for trading:				
- Debt securities	44,717,688	-	-	44,717,688
- Derivative financial instruments	26,011,823	-	-	26,011,823
Investment securities:				
- Debt securities	526,384,355	-	-	526,384,355
Assets pledged as collateral:				
- Debt securities	57,790,749	-	-	57,790,749
Restricted deposits and other assets ²				
	481,264,731	3,939,375	11,977,498	497,181,604
	2,536,907,938	6,203,556	268,133,640	2,811,245,134

¹ Further classification of Loans & Advances to Customers along product lines is provided on the next page.

² Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

Of the Parent's Credit risk exposure outside Africa relating to On-balance sheet, 24% relates to exposures in United States of America, 74% relates to exposures in United Kingdom and 2% relates to exposures in other countries.

Credit risk exposure relating to Off-Balance Sheet

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Financial guarantees	320,056,325	-	-	320,056,325
Other contingents	22,753,615	-	-	22,753,615
	342,809,940	-	-	342,809,940

Contingencies are disclosed on Note 43

Classification of Credit Concentration on Loans to Customers by Product

The maximum credit exposure of loans and advances across geographical regions and product lines is shown below

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Loans to individuals:				
Overdraft	10,683,684	-	-	10,683,684
Loans	138,314,210	-	-	138,314,210
	148,997,894	-	-	148,997,894
Loans to non-individuals:				
Overdraft	51,492,269	-	-	51,492,269
Loans	1,064,290,318	-	-	1,064,290,318
Others ¹	36,040,166	-	-	36,040,166
	1,151,822,753	-	-	1,151,822,753

¹ Others include Usances and Usance Settlement.

Credit risk exposure relating to On-Balance Sheet

Parent
Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Cash and bank balances:				
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	47,484,035	-	-	47,484,035
- Balances held with other banks	2,281,907	434,926	72,425,325	75,142,158
- Money market placements	-	17,976,425	273,357,851	291,334,276
Loans and advances to banks				
	46,074	-	-	46,074
Loans and advances to customers ¹ :				
- Loans to individuals	97,756,079	-	-	97,756,079
- Loans to non-individuals	970,242,940	-	-	970,242,940
Financial assets held for trading:				
- Debt securities	8,920,153	-	-	8,920,153
- Derivative financial instruments	3,854,921	-	-	3,854,921
Investment securities:				
- Debt securities	453,170,925	-	7,380,390	460,551,315
Assets pledged as collateral:				
- Debt securities	56,291,739	-	-	56,291,739
Restricted deposits and other assets ²				
	456,963,715	1,435,800	13,731,129	472,130,644
	2,097,012,488	19,847,151	366,894,695	2,483,754,334

¹ Further classification of Loans & Advances to Customers along product lines is provided on the next page.

² Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

Of the Parent's Credit risk exposure outside Africa relating to On-balance sheet, 23% relates to exposures in United States of America, 74% relates to exposures in United Kingdom and 3% relates to exposures in other countries.

Credit risk exposure relating to Off-Balance Sheet

Credit Risk Exposure relating to off-balance sheet items are as follows:

Parent Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Financial guarantees	362,816,565	-	-	362,816,565
Other contingents	22,059,650	-	-	22,059,650
	384,876,215	-	-	384,876,215

Contingencies are disclosed on Note 43

Classification of Credit Concentration on Loans to Customers by Product

The maximum credit exposure of loans and advances across geographical regions and product lines is shown below

Parent Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Classification	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Outside Africa	Total
Loans to individuals:				
Overdraft	8,486,883	-	-	8,486,883
Loans	89,269,196	-	-	89,269,196
	97,756,079	-	-	97,756,079
Loans to non-individuals:				
Overdraft	82,146,104	-	-	82,146,104
Loans	839,702,197	-	-	839,702,197
Others ¹	48,394,639	-	-	48,394,639
	970,242,940	-	-	970,242,940

¹ Others include Usances and Usance Settlement.

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(ii) Industry sectors

The following table breaks down the Group's credit exposure at gross amounts (without taking into account any collateral held or other credit support), as categorised by the industry sectors of the Group's counterparties.

Credit Risk Exposure to on-balance sheet items

**Group
Dec-2019**
In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Agriculture	Financial institution	Capital market & Real estate	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Cash and bank balances:													
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	131,090,460	-	-	-	-	-	131,090,460
- Balances held with other banks	-	212,812,153	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	212,812,153
- Money market placements	-	187,374,213	-	-	-	-	2,000,466	-	-	-	-	-	189,374,679
Loans and advances to banks	-	1,513,310	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,513,310
Loans and advances to customers ³ :													
- Loans to individuals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	197,560,417	-	197,560,417
- Loans to non-individuals	19,591,230	47,847,203	36,345,826	8,284,634	87,044,319	72,077,669	280,022,708	606,738,500	79,144,496	-	65,915,044	-	1,303,011,629
Financial assets held for trading:													
- Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	73,486,101	-	-	-	-	-	73,486,101
- Derivative financial instruments	-	25,759,520	-	-	-	5,021	-	110,802	-	136,480	-	-	26,011,823
Investment securities:													
- Debt securities	-	29,834,367	-	-	-	-	729,758,623	-	-	-	-	-	759,592,990
Assets pledged as collateral:													
- Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	58,036,855	-	-	-	-	-	58,036,855
Restricted deposits and other assets ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	466,404,945	-	-	-	-	41,070,612	507,475,557
	19,591,230	505,140,766	36,345,826	8,284,634	87,049,340	1,532,855,119	280,133,510	606,738,500	79,280,976	197,560,417	106,985,656	3,459,965,974	

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

³ Further classification of Loans to Customers along product lines are provided on the next page.

⁴ Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

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Credit Risk Exposure to off-balance sheet items

**Group
Dec-2019**
In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Capital market & Financial institution		Construction/ Real estate	General Commerce			Manufacturing	Oil & gas		Info. Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
	Agriculture	Real estate		Education	Commerce	Government		Oil & gas	Telecoms & Transport. ²				
Financial guarantees	410	9,947,806	237,879,119	-	17,597,120	10,431	14,365,314	49,223,615	3,570,489	1,967,054	17,203,433	351,764,791	
Other contingents	29,890	14,548,101	109,122	-	8,203,600	179,844	17,698,234	7,071,063	1,272,575	1,558,389	10,905,980	61,576,798	
Total	30,300	24,495,907	237,988,241	-	25,800,720	190,275	32,063,548	56,294,678	4,843,064	3,525,443	28,109,413	413,341,589	

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

Classification of Sectorial Credit Concentration on Loans to Customers by Product

**Group
Dec-2019**
In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Capital market & Financial institution		Construction/ Real estate	General Commerce			Manufacturing	Oil & gas		Info. Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
	Agriculture	Real estate		Education	Commerce	Government		Oil & gas	Telecoms & Transport. ²				
Loans to individuals:													
Overdraft	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,854,656	-	11,854,656
Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	185,636,521	-	-	185,636,521
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	69,240	-	69,240
Loans to non-individuals:													
Overdraft	3,432,881	1,777,331	10,899,226	206,024	24,854,926	341,398	14,075,137	19,387,055	10,476,594	-	-	9,438,394	94,888,966
Loans	15,384,923	46,069,872	25,309,930	8,078,610	56,040,112	71,736,271	239,025,457	587,343,352	68,582,893	-	-	54,009,205	1,171,580,625
Others	773,426	-	136,670	-	6,149,281	-	26,922,114	8,093	85,009	-	-	2,467,445	36,542,038
Total	19,591,230	47,847,203	36,345,826	8,284,634	87,044,319	72,077,669	280,022,708	606,738,500	79,144,496	-	65,915,044	1,303,011,629	

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

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Credit Risk Exposure to on-balance sheet items

Group
Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Capital market & Financial institution					Info.					Total	
	Agriculture	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹		
Cash and bank balances:												
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	-	-	-	-	72,552,069	-	-	-	-	-	-	72,552,069
- Balances held with other banks	-	208,289,218	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	208,289,218
- Money market placements	-	313,976,163	-	11,515,178	6,497,698	-	-	-	-	-	-	331,989,039
Loans and advances to banks	-	1,039,732	-	1,954,910	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,994,642
Loans and advances to customers ³ :												
- Loans to individuals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	147,603,603	-	-	147,603,603
- Loans to non-individuals	27,135,378	42,497,288	7,589,626	41,248,675	58,777,055	232,583,083	471,517,165	51,059,217	-	129,677,477	1,111,406,756	
Financial assets held for trading:												
- Debt securities	-	-	-	-	11,314,814	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,314,814
- Derivative financial instruments	-	3,852,032	-	-	-	1,600	1,289	-	-	-	-	3,854,921
Investment securities:												
- Debt securities	-	7,380,390	-	-	626,233,478	-	-	-	-	-	-	633,613,868
Assets pledged as collateral:												
- Debt securities	-	-	-	25,509	56,751,661	-	-	-	-	-	-	56,777,170
Restricted deposits and other assets ⁴	-	-	-	-	14,406,074	-	-	-	-	459,164,320	-	473,570,394
	27,135,378	577,034,823	49,321,792	7,589,626	846,532,849	232,584,683	471,518,454	51,059,217	147,603,603	588,841,797	3,053,966,494	

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

³ Further classification of Loans to Customers along product lines are provided on the next page.

⁴ Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

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Credit Risk Exposure to off-balance sheet items

Group
Dec-2018
In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Agriculture	Capital market & Financial institution	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Financial guarantees	1,128,091	6,917,101	246,913,222	200,000	8,178,462	-	12,880,763	66,622,652	1,550,679	-	41,995,642	386,386,612
Other contingents	1,969,791	908,007	1,035,036	-	4,465,051	2,467	11,293,329	7,021,231	510,508	-	27,459,493	54,664,913
Total	3,097,882	7,825,108	247,948,258	200,000	12,643,513	2,467	24,174,092	73,643,883	2,061,187	-	69,455,135	441,051,525

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

Classification of Sectorial Credit Concentration on Loans to Customers by Product

Group
Dec-2018
In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Agriculture	Capital market & Financial institution	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Loans to individuals:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Overdraft	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,072,957	-	10,072,957
Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	137,478,680	-	137,478,680
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51,966	-	51,966
Loans to non-individuals:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	147,603,603	-	147,603,603
Overdraft	5,714,473	57,031	15,976,349	2,311,888	12,495,159	1,431,463	48,288,440	16,475,967	1,519,340	-	5,615,213	109,885,323
Loans	20,879,867	42,440,257	33,310,925	5,277,738	22,837,580	57,345,592	156,416,844	441,083,807	49,539,154	-	123,995,030	953,126,794
Others	541,038	-	34,518	-	5,915,936	-	27,877,799	13,957,391	723	-	67,234	48,394,639
Total	27,135,378	42,497,288	49,321,792	7,589,626	41,248,675	58,777,055	232,583,083	471,517,165	51,059,217	-	129,677,477	1,111,406,756

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

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The following table breaks down the Parent's credit exposure at gross amounts (without taking into account any collateral held or other credit support), as categorised by the industry sectors of the Parent's counterparties.

Credit Risk Exposure to on-balance sheet items

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Agriculture	Capital market & Financial institution	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Cash and bank balances:												
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	-	-	-	-	-	87,429,812	-	-	-	-	-	87,429,812
- Balances held with other banks	-	87,974,144	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	87,974,144
- Money market placements	-	180,861,395	-	-	-	2,000,466	-	-	-	-	-	182,861,861
Loans and advances to banks	-	72,451	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72,451
Loans and advances to customers ³ :												
- Loans to individuals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	148,997,894	-	148,997,894
- Loans to non-individuals	12,247,505	45,302,418	24,263,945	6,174,264	37,258,771	68,918,889	251,156,700	599,014,528	66,881,646	-	40,604,087	1,151,822,753
Financial assets held for trading:												
- Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	44,717,688	-	-	-	-	-	44,717,688
- Derivative financial instruments	-	25,759,520	-	-	5,021	-	110,802	-	136,480	-	-	26,011,823
Investment securities:												
- Debt securities	-	29,834,367	-	-	-	496,549,988	-	-	-	-	-	526,384,355
Assets pledged as collateral:												
- Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	57,790,749	-	-	-	-	-	57,790,749
Restricted deposits and other assets ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	466,389,023	-	-	-	-	30,792,581	497,181,604
	12,247,505	369,804,295	24,263,945	6,174,264	37,263,792	1,223,796,615	251,267,502	599,014,528	67,018,126	148,997,894	71,396,668	2,811,245,134

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

³ Further classification of Loans to Customers along product lines are provided on the next page.

⁴ Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

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Credit Risk Exposure to off-balance sheet items

Parent

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian naira

Classification	Agriculture	Capital market & Financial institution	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Financial guarantees	-	6,770,334	226,121,039	-	14,848,501	-	10,078,515	47,677,632	1,820,805	-	12,739,499	320,056,325
Other contingents	29,890	-	-	-	1,710,148	-	11,563,083	1,161,760	-	-	8,288,734	22,753,615
Total	29,890	6,770,334	226,121,039	-	16,558,649	-	21,641,598	48,839,392	1,820,805	-	21,028,233	342,809,940

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

Classification of Sectorial Credit Concentration on Loans to Customers by Product

Parent

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Agriculture	Capital market & Financial institution	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport. ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Loans to individuals:												
Overdraft	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,683,684	-	10,683,684
Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	138,314,210	-	138,314,210
Loans to non-individuals:												
Overdraft	2,048,212	2,277,192	5,500,443	198,790	7,734,015	213,280	6,299,684	16,899,459	6,574,801	-	3,746,393	51,492,269
Loans	9,425,867	43,025,226	18,763,502	5,975,474	23,643,710	68,705,609	217,943,741	582,114,988	60,221,836	-	34,470,365	1,064,290,318
Others	773,426	-	-	-	5,881,046	-	26,913,275	81	85,009	-	2,387,329	36,040,166
Total	12,247,505	45,302,418	24,263,945	6,174,264	37,258,771	68,918,889	251,156,700	599,014,528	66,881,646	-	40,604,087	1,151,822,753

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

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Credit Risk Exposure to on-balance sheet items

Parent

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Agriculture	Capital market & Financial institution	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Cash and bank balances:												
- Unrestricted balances with central banks	-	-	-	-	-	47,484,035	-	-	-	-	-	47,484,035
- Balances held with other banks	-	75,142,158	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75,142,158
- Money market placements	-	291,334,276	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	291,334,276
Loans and advances to banks	-	46,074	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46,074
Loans and advances to customers ³ :												
- Loans to individuals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	97,756,079	-	97,756,079
- Loans to non-individuals	22,382,359	41,840,199	35,165,789	5,458,044	38,210,337	54,068,501	214,777,088	469,756,352	51,059,217	-	37,525,054	970,242,940
Financial assets held for trading:												
- Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	8,920,153	-	-	-	-	-	8,920,153
- Derivative financial instruments	-	3,852,032	-	-	-	-	1,600	1,289	-	-	-	3,854,921
Investment securities:												
- Debt securities	-	7,380,390	-	-	-	453,170,925	-	-	-	-	-	460,551,315
Assets pledged as collateral:												
- Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	56,291,739	-	-	-	-	-	56,291,739
Restricted deposits and other assets ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	14,406,074	-	-	-	-	-	14,406,074
	22,382,359	419,595,129	35,165,789	5,458,044	38,210,337	634,341,427	214,778,688	469,757,641	51,059,217	97,756,079	495,249,624	2,483,754,334

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

³ Further classification of Loans to Customers along product lines are provided on the next page.

⁴ Balances included in Restricted deposits and other assets above are those subject to credit risks. Items not subject to credit risk, which include Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations have been excluded.

Credit Risk Exposure to off-balance sheet items

Parent

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian naira

Classification	Agriculture	Capital market & Financial institution	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Financial guarantees	1,124,706	6,917,101	232,932,597	200,000	7,329,156	-	12,552,689	64,832,989	1,550,679	-	35,376,648	362,816,565
Other contingents	1,954,654	-	-	-	2,834,532	-	9,234,371	1,177,380	510,508	-	6,348,205	22,059,650
Total	3,079,360	6,917,101	232,932,597	200,000	10,163,688	-	21,787,060	66,010,369	2,061,187	-	41,724,853	384,876,215

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

Classification of Sectorial Credit Concentration on Loans to Customers by Product

Parent

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Classification	Agriculture	Capital market & Financial institution	Construction/ Real estate	Education	General Commerce	Government	Manufacturing	Oil & gas	Info. Telecoms & Transport ²	Individual	Others ¹	Total
Loans and advances to customers:												
Loans to individuals:												
Overdraft	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,486,883	-	8,486,883
Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	89,269,196	-	89,269,196
Loans to non-individuals:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	97,756,079	-	97,756,079
Overdraft	1,143,606	774,431	5,059,852	277,462	9,499,023	10,326	42,000,925	16,475,967	1,519,340	-	5,385,172	82,146,104
Loans	20,697,715	41,065,768	30,071,419	5,180,582	22,795,378	54,058,175	144,898,364	439,322,994	49,539,154	-	32,072,648	839,702,197
Others	541,038	-	34,518	-	5,915,936	-	27,877,799	13,957,391	723	-	67,234	48,394,639
Total	22,382,359	41,840,199	35,165,789	5,458,044	38,210,337	54,068,501	214,777,088	469,756,352	51,059,217	-	37,525,054	970,242,940

¹ Includes Engineering Services, Hospitality, Clubs, Cooperative Societies etc.

² Includes Telecoms, Logistics, Maritime and Haulage.

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The following tables show the analysis of the credit risk exposure of financial instruments for which an ECL allowance is recognised. The gross carrying amount of financial assets below also represents the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk on these assets:

Maximum exposure to credit risk - Loans and advances

Group
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	75,678,792	-	-	75,678,792
Very Strong Capacity	540,699,506	-	-	540,699,506
Strong Repayment Capacity	496,305,953	-	-	496,305,953
Acceptable risk	103,928,534	250,273,008	-	354,201,542
Default	-	-	102,453,227	102,453,227
Total	1,216,612,785	250,273,008	102,453,227	1,569,339,020

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	41,347,011	-	-	41,347,011
Very Strong Capacity	507,014,683	-	-	507,014,683
Strong Repayment Capacity	400,649,155	-	-	400,649,155
Acceptable risk	88,934,067	235,704,282	-	324,638,349
Default	-	-	83,498,253	83,498,253
Total	1,037,944,916	235,704,282	83,498,253	1,357,147,451

Maximum exposure to credit risk - Money Market Placements

Group
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	189,374,679	-	-	189,374,679

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	182,861,861	-	-	182,861,861

Maximum exposure to credit risk - Investment securities

Group
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	759,592,990	-	-	759,592,990

**Parent
Dec-2019**

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	526,384,355	-	-	526,384,355

Maximum exposure to credit risk - Other assets

**Group
Dec-2019**

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	14,179,452	-	-	14,179,452

**Parent
Dec-2019**

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	6,553,191	-	-	6,553,191

Maximum exposure to credit risk - off balance sheet

**Group
Dec-2019**

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	413,341,589	-	-	413,341,589

**Parent
Dec-2019**

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Rating	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Grand Total
Exceptional Capacity	342,809,940	-	-	342,809,940

Disclosures of various factors that impact the ECL Model as at 31 December 2019.

These Factors revolves around:

1. Discounting of the expected future cashflows from individual obligors with their respective Effective interest rate (EIR) on the set future dates to present value.
2. Application of varying haircut to underlying collateral and further discounting with their respective EIR
3. Application of varying forward looking information in relation to underlying macroeconomic assumptions and the degree of responsiveness of the obligors to the assumptions at different degree of normal, downturn and upturn scenarios. The weightings applied to the multiple economic scenarios are upturn - 24%; normal - 38%; and downturn - 38%.

The following macro-economic forecasts under the different scenarios were adopted for individual customers:

Macro-Economic variable assumptions:

	Scenario	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Exchange rate (₹/USD)	Upturn	308.45	339.30	373.22
	Normal	364.18	374.89	412.38
	Downturn	366.18	387.69	426.45
Inflation rate (%)	Upturn	10.40	11.50	10.50
	Normal	12.20	12.90	12.10
	Downturn	14.60	15.50	14.50
Unemployment (%)	Upturn	21.50	21.50	21.50
	Normal	28.50	28.50	28.50
	Downturn	32.00	32.00	32.00
GDP growth rate (%)	Upturn	6.23	6.27	6.30
	Normal	2.50	2.30	4.10
	Downturn	-1.58	-1.59	-1.60

The following macro-economic forecasts under the different scenarios were adopted for corporate customers:

Macro-Economic variable assumptions:

	Scenario	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Exchange rate (₹/USD)	Upturn	308.45	339.30	373.22
	Normal	364.18	374.89	412.38
	Downturn	366.18	387.69	426.45
Inflation rate (%)	Upturn	10.40	11.50	10.50
	Normal	12.20	12.90	12.10
	Downturn	14.60	15.50	14.50
Crude oil prices (USD/barrel)	Upturn	90.40	90.94	91.49
	Normal	73.00	77.00	81.00
	Downturn	40.60	40.78	40.96
Crude oil Production (barrel)	Upturn	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000
	Normal	2,180,000	2,180,000	2,180,000
	Downturn	1,990,000	1,990,000	1,990,000
GDP growth rate (%)	Upturn	6.23	6.27	6.30
	Normal	2.50	2.30	4.10
	Downturn	-1.58	-1.59	-1.60

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Disclosures of various factors that impact the Subsidiaries ECL Model as at 31 December 2019.

The following macro-economic forecasts under the different scenarios were adopted in the stated jurisdictions:

Macro-Economic variable assumptions for individual customers:

Scenario	Macroeconomic Variable	United Kingdom	Ghana	Kenya	Serria-Leone	Gambia
Normal	Exchange rate (Per US\$)	n/a	5.53	n/a	9,751.68	52.50
	inflation	n/a	7.70%	n/a	15.20%	7.50%
	unemployment	3.80%	n/a	n/a	4.30%	9.00%
	Residential Property Prices	4.00%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	GDP	1.80%	5.70%	6.00%	3.50%	5.40%
Upturn	Exchange rate (Per US\$)	n/a	4.82	n/a	9,478.63	50.00
	inflation	n/a	5.70%	n/a	14.77%	7.00%
	unemployment	3.50%	n/a	n/a	4.18%	8.00%
	Residential Property Prices	32.60%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	GDP	2.10%	6.80%	7.00%	3.60%	6.00%
Downturn*	Exchange rate (Per US\$)	n/a	6.25	n/a	10,005.22	53.00
	inflation	n/a	9.70%	n/a	15.60%	8.00%
	unemployment	9.20%	n/a	n/a	4.41%	10.00%
	Residential Property Prices	-43.00%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	GDP	-4.70%	5.70%	4.50%	3.41%	4.50%

Macro-Economic variable assumptions for corporate customers:

Scenario	Macroeconomic Variable	United Kingdom	Ghana	Kenya	Serria-Leone	Gambia
Normal	Exchange rate (Per US\$)	n/a	5.53	n/a	9,751.68	52.50
	inflation	n/a	7.70%	n/a	15.20%	7.50%
	GDP	1.80%	5.70%	6.00%	3.50%	5.40%
	Crude	n/a	68.50	n/a	n/a	n/a
Upturn	Exchange rate (Per US\$)	n/a	4.82	n/a	9,478.63	50.00
	inflation	n/a	5.70%	n/a	14.77%	7.00%
	GDP	2.10%	6.80%	7.00%	3.60%	6.00%
	Crude	n/a	90.40	n/a	n/a	n/a
Downturn*	Exchange rate (Per US\$)	n/a	6.25	n/a	10,005.22	53.00
	inflation	n/a	9.70%	n/a	15.60%	8.00%
	GDP	-4.70%	5.70%	4.50%	3.41%	4.50%
	Crude	n/a	55.60	n/a	n/a	n/a

*The Downturn scenario for United Kingdom reflects the Post Brexit Stress Scenario

(vii) Impairment and provisioning policies

The following policies guide the Bank's provisioning and impairment:

(1) Loan Categorization

All loans and advances are categorized as follows during the current year:

- **Stage 1 Loans and Advances:**

These are loans and advances that have not deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition or that have low credit risk (where the optional simplification is applied) at the reporting date. The credit quality of the Stage 1 loans and advances are assessed by reference to the internal rating system adopted by the Group (see Note 4(f)(ii) Credit Risk Measurement). These are assigned ratings 1-6 .

In addition to the above, Stage 1 loans and advances are loans that have experienced movement of credit rating of less than 3 notches migration of the obligors over the period of 3 years.

- **Stage 2 Loans and Advances:**

These are loans and advances that have deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition but do not have objective evidence of a credit loss event. The credit quality of the Stage 2 loans and advances are assessed by reference to the internal rating system adopted by the Group (see Note 4(f)(ii) Credit Risk Measurement). These are assigned rating 7 .

In addition to the above, Stage 2 loans and advances are loans that have experienced movement of credit rating of more than 3 notches migration of the obligors over the period of 3 years.

- **Stage 3 Loans and Advances:**

These are loans and advances that have objective evidence of a credit loss event. Stage 3 allocation is driven by either the identification of credit impairment or an exposure being classified as defaulted. The credit quality of the Stage 3 loans and advances are assessed by reference to the internal rating system adopted by the Group (see Note 4(f)(ii) Credit Risk Measurement). These are assigned ratings 8-10 .

(2) Allowances for impairment

The Group establishes an allowance for impairment losses that represents its estimate of expected credit losses in its loan portfolio. In accordance with IFRS 9 which requires the recognition of 12 month expected credit losses (the portion of lifetime expected credit losses from default events that are expected within 12 months of the reporting date) if credit risk has not significantly increased since initial recognition (stage 1), and lifetime expected credit losses for financial instruments for which the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition (stage 2) or which are credit impaired (stage 3).

Stage 1 – This is where credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition. For loans in stage 1, the Group recognises 12 month ECL and interest income is recognised on a gross

basis – this means that interest will be calculated on the gross carrying amount of the loan before adjusting for ECL.

Stage 2 - This is where credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition (stage 1). When a loan is transferred to stage 2, the Group recognises lifetime ECL but interest income will continue to be recognised on a gross basis.

Stage 3 – At stage 3, the loan is credit impaired. This is effectively the point at which there has been an incurred loss event. For loans in stage 3, the Group continues to recognise lifetime ECL but interest income is recognised on a net basis. This means that interest income will be calculated based on the gross carrying amount of the loan less ECL.

Realizable collaterals are important component of cash flows.

(3) Loans with renegotiated terms

Loans with renegotiated terms are loans that have been restructured due to deterioration in the borrower's financial position and where the Group has made concessions that it would not otherwise consider. Once the loan is restructured, it remains in this category independent of satisfactory performance after restructuring.

(4) Governance structure around the ECL model:

The governance around the ECL model centres on the monitoring of performance of obligors in accordance with the term and conditions of the underlying facilities and ensure that the ratings assigned to each counterparty reflects the outcome of the internal rating model of the Group, tailored to the various categories and sectors of the counterparties. For this purpose the Bank has set up 3 level of structure with oversights on the review of credit performance and assign credit ratings. The three levels of governance structure are:

i) **Chief Risk Officer:** The Chief Risk Officer (CRO) works with the divisional heads and relationship managers to monitor and provide feedback on the performance of the facilities less than or equal to 100 million. This gives him insight into what the appropriate rating migration for each facility in this band should be.

ii) **An Executive Director (ED) who is a member of the Board Risk Management Committee (BRMC):** An ED who is a member of the BRMC has been assigned responsibility for the facilities above 100 million but less than 500 million. The ED works with the CRO, divisional heads and the relationship managers to monitor the facilities in this category. He ensures that adequate information as to the level of performance of these facilities is promptly retrieved and the counterparties are correctly rated.

iii) **The Managing Director (MD):** The Managing Director presides over the review of facilities over 500 million.

Every decision made with respect to the performance of these facilities must be approved by the MD.

All the above approving authorities in respect of credit ratings consider number of days past due as one of the quantitative

variables in the determination of the credit ratings to be assigned to credit facilities. Facilities that are 30 days past due are assigned a credit rating of 7 except appropriate rebuttals are in place to justify a better credit rating while Facilities that are 90 days past due are assigned a rating of 8 except appropriate rebuttals are in place to justify a better credit rating.

(5) Policy around rebuttal:

When backstop is used and an account that has breached the 30 days past due criteria for SICR and 90 days past due criteria for default is transferred to stage 2 or stage 3 respectively, the presumption can be rebutted only on the basis of the following:

- i) The relationship manager and divisional head must provide reasonable and supportable evidence for the rebuttal. In doing this, the evidence must be provided to the CRO and credit risk management team within 10 working days failure of which the transfer will be made.
- ii) For accounts that are moved to stage 2, the CRO and credit risk management team will review the evidence provided by the relationship manager and provide feedback to the relationship manager as regards the acceptability of the evidence.
- iii) For accounts that are moved to stage 3, the CRO and credit risk management team will review the evidence provided by the relationship manager. The account is then scheduled to be presented to the Criticised Asset Committee (CAC).
- iv) CAC takes decision with respect to the the acceptability of the evidence presented to it.
- v) Where the evidence is deemed acceptable as stated in (ii) and (iv) above, the account is immediately transferred back to the previous stage. Where the evidence is not acceptable, the account is left in the new stage except the relationship manager is able to provide fresh evidence which will follow the same step above.

Categorization of Loans and advances

The table below analyses the Group's Loans and advances based on the categorization by Performance of the Loans and the allowances taken on them.

Dec-2019	Group Dec-2019			Parent Dec-2019		
	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Total	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Total
In thousands of Nigerian Naira						
Stage 1 - 12 months ECL	192,292,451	1,022,758,344	1,216,612,785	145,626,166	892,257,044	1,037,944,916
Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	3,118,035	247,154,814	250,273,008	2,161,630	233,542,493	235,704,282
Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	9,955,760	92,478,127	102,453,227	7,590,207	75,888,706	83,498,253
Gross Loans and Advances	205,366,246	1,362,391,285	1,569,339,020	155,378,003	1,201,688,243	1,357,147,451
Less allowances for impairment:						
Stage 1 - 12 months ECL	1,528,023	6,947,952	8,536,130	635,783	4,548,066	5,184,579
Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	154,980	6,673,755	6,828,740	53,963	5,503,826	5,557,794
Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	6,122,826	45,757,949	51,888,794	5,690,363	39,813,598	45,511,980
Total allowance	7,805,829	59,379,656	67,253,664	6,380,109	49,865,490	56,254,353
Net Loans and Advances	197,560,417	1,303,011,629	1,502,085,356	148,997,894	1,151,822,753	1,300,893,098

Dec-2018	Group Dec-2019			Parent Dec-2019		
	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Total	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Total
In thousands of Nigerian Naira						
Stage 1 - 12 months ECL	143,670,977	954,592,587	1,101,246,369	95,457,290	843,053,290	938,544,817
Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	4,475,095	156,906,738	161,381,836	1,222,472	135,681,235	136,903,710
Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	6,838,207	92,592,087	99,444,792	6,135,558	77,430,958	83,581,014
Gross Loans and Advances	154,984,279	1,204,091,412	1,362,072,997	102,815,320	1,056,165,483	1,159,029,541
Less allowances for impairment:						
Stage 1 - 12 months ECL	1,939,547	5,682,598	7,622,184	37,539	5,141,742	5,179,320
Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	55,638	11,224,567	11,280,205	20,448	11,114,060	11,134,508
Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	5,385,491	75,777,491	81,165,607	5,001,254	69,666,741	74,670,620
Total allowance	7,380,676	92,684,656	100,067,996	5,059,241	85,922,543	90,984,448
Net Loans and Advances	147,603,603	1,111,406,756	1,262,005,001	97,756,079	970,242,940	1,068,045,093

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Each category of the gross loans is further analysed into Product lines as follows:

Dec-2019	Group Dec-2019				Parent Dec-2019			
	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Loans to Banks	Total	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Loans to Banks	Total
In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
Loans	182,533,112	917,896,274	1,449,485	1,101,878,871	137,310,149	824,606,842	55,791	961,972,782
Overdrafts	9,699,113	69,497,843	112,505	79,309,461	8,316,017	32,293,332	5,915	40,615,264
Others	60,226	35,364,227	-	35,424,453	-	35,356,870	-	35,356,870
Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	192,292,451	1,022,758,344	1,561,990	1,216,612,785	145,626,166	892,257,044	61,706	1,037,944,916
Loans	998,559	227,614,815	-	228,613,374	161,698	220,010,040	-	220,171,738
Overdrafts	2,119,476	18,726,678	159	20,846,313	1,999,932	12,719,132	159	14,719,223
Others	-	813,321	-	813,321	-	813,321	-	813,321
Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	3,118,035	247,154,814	159	250,273,008	2,161,630	233,542,493	159	235,704,282
Loans	6,429,264	62,277,528	2,241	68,709,033	4,182,279	50,369,618	2,241	54,554,138
Overdrafts	3,516,358	29,593,638	17,099	33,127,095	3,407,928	25,518,286	17,099	28,943,313
Others	10,138	606,961	-	617,099	-	802	-	802
Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	9,955,760	92,478,127	19,340	102,453,227	7,590,207	75,888,706	19,340	83,498,253
Total Loans and Advances	205,366,246	1,362,391,285	1,581,489	1,569,339,020	155,378,003	1,201,688,243	81,205	1,357,147,451

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The impairment allowance on loans is further analysed as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019			Parent Dec-2019		
	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Total	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Total
Stage 1: 12 Months ECL						
Loans	1,044,129	4,736,305	5,840,474	516,377	3,907,089	4,424,081
Overdrafts	483,894	2,122,903	2,606,912	119,406	552,233	671,754
Others	-	88,744	88,744	-	88,744	88,744
	1,528,023	6,947,952	8,536,130	635,783	4,548,066	5,184,579
Stage 2: Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired						
Loans	46,233	5,994,255	6,040,488	1,726	5,328,688	5,330,414
Overdrafts	108,747	638,076	746,828	52,237	133,714	185,956
Others	-	41,424	41,424	-	41,424	41,424
	154,980	6,673,755	6,828,740	53,963	5,503,826	5,557,794
Stage 3: Non Performing Loans						
Loans	3,234,052	25,477,432	28,713,011	2,821,813	21,460,405	24,283,745
Overdrafts	2,887,650	20,168,214	23,062,356	2,868,550	18,352,534	21,227,576
Others	1,124	112,303	113,427	-	659	659
	6,122,826	45,757,949	51,888,794	5,690,363	39,813,598	45,511,980
Total allowance	7,805,829	59,379,656	67,253,664	6,380,109	49,865,490	56,254,353

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Each category of the gross loans is further analysed into Product lines as follows:

Dec-2018	Group Dec-2019			Parent Dec-2019		
	Loans to Individual	Loans to non-Individual	Total	Loans to Individual	Loans to non-Individual	Total
In thousands of Nigerian Naira						
Loans	135,493,302	843,529,431	981,873,215	88,516,103	754,618,483	843,155,931
Overdrafts	8,125,709	62,537,246	70,795,278	6,941,187	39,908,897	46,862,976
Others	51,966	48,525,910	48,577,876	-	48,525,910	48,525,910
Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	143,670,977	954,592,587	1,101,246,369	95,457,290	843,053,290	938,544,817
Loans	2,994,860	107,962,613	110,957,473	135,966	89,333,176	89,469,142
Overdrafts	1,480,235	48,944,124	50,424,362	1,086,506	46,348,058	47,434,567
Others	-	1	1	-	1	1
Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	4,475,095	156,906,738	161,381,836	1,222,472	135,681,235	136,903,710
Loans	4,142,438	46,283,604	50,427,972	3,451,555	34,241,704	37,695,189
Overdrafts	2,695,769	46,085,570	48,793,907	2,684,003	42,966,341	45,662,912
Others	-	222,913	222,913	-	222,913	222,913
Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	6,838,207	92,592,087	99,444,792	6,135,558	77,430,958	83,581,014
Total Loans and Advances	154,984,279	1,204,091,412	1,362,072,997	102,815,320	1,056,165,483	1,159,029,541
				Loans to Banks		Loans to Banks
				2,850,482		21,345
				132,323		12,892
				-		-
				2,982,805		34,237
				-		-
				3		3
				-		-
				3		3
				1,930		1,930
				12,568		12,568
				-		-
				14,498		14,498
				2,997,306		48,738
				99,444,792		83,581,014
				1,204,091,412		1,159,029,541

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The impairment allowance on loans is further analysed as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019			Parent Dec-2019				
	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Loans to Banks	Total	Loans to Individual	Loans to non- Individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Stage 1: 12 Months ECL								
Loans	1,916,492	4,904,087	-	6,820,579	16,169	4,431,267	-	4,447,436
Overdrafts	23,055	560,642	39	583,736	21,370	492,606	39	514,015
Others	-	217,869	-	217,869	-	217,869	-	217,869
	1,939,547	5,682,598	39	7,622,184	37,539	5,141,742	39	5,179,320
Stage 2: Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired								
Loans	35,515	8,143,678	-	8,179,193	332	8,058,286	-	8,058,618
Overdrafts	20,123	3,080,889	-	3,101,012	20,116	3,055,774	-	3,075,890
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	55,638	11,224,567	-	11,280,205	20,448	11,114,060	-	11,134,508
Stage 3: Non Performing Loans								
Loans	3,199,913	31,601,089	1,637	34,802,639	2,817,927	30,001,613	1,637	32,821,177
Overdrafts	2,185,578	44,040,086	988	46,226,652	2,183,327	39,528,812	988	41,713,127
Others	-	136,316	-	136,316	-	136,316	-	136,316
	5,385,491	75,777,491	2,625	81,165,607	5,001,254	69,666,741	2,625	74,670,620
Total allowance	7,380,676	92,684,656	2,664	100,067,996	5,059,241	85,922,543	2,664	90,984,448

(i) Credit quality of Stage 1 Loans and advances

The credit quality of the portfolio of Stage 1 loans and advances can be assessed by reference to the internal rating system adopted by the Group.

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Rating	Loans and advances to customers				Loans and advances to banks				
	Individuals		Non-individuals		Individuals		Non-individuals		
	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Total
Exceptional capacity	35,429	29,154,570	60,444	3,760,605	42,390,626	1,336	106,380	169,402	75,678,792
Very strong capacity	457,568	5,522,491	-	16,757,016	510,092,201	6,645,728	1,224,502	-	540,699,506
Strong repayment capacity	8,290,563	144,763,467	-	35,111,201	281,784,555	26,345,244	773	10,150	496,305,953
Acceptable risk	914,972	3,092,947	-	13,026,589	84,471,325	2,371,918	5,142	45,641	103,928,534
Total	9,698,532	182,533,475	60,444	68,655,411	918,738,707	35,364,226	1,336,797	225,193	1,216,612,785

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Rating	Loans and advances to customers				Loans and advances to banks				
	Individuals		Non-individuals		Individuals		Non-individuals		
	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Total
Exceptional capacity	503,623	12,762,032	-	2,002,440	56,581,302	-	-	-	71,849,397
Very strong capacity	133,068	3,926,638	-	15,497,042	378,966,390	25,783,449	-	-	424,306,587
Strong repayment capacity	6,773,139	117,622,261	51,966	28,237,609	306,339,456	14,688,672	119,437	2,829,137	476,661,677
Acceptable risk	715,879	1,182,371	-	16,800,155	101,642,283	8,053,789	12,886	21,345	128,428,708
Total	8,125,709	135,493,302	51,966	62,537,246	843,529,431	48,525,910	132,323	2,850,482	1,101,246,369

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The credit quality of Stage 1 Loans and advances for the Parent is discussed below:

**Parent
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In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Rating	Individuals			Loans and advances to customers			Non-individuals			Loans and advances to banks		
	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Total
Exceptional capacity	-	-	-	845,975	40,501,036	-	-	-	-	-	-	41,347,011
Very strong capacity	27,979	54,283	-	7,688,259	492,599,466	6,644,696	-	-	-	-	-	507,014,683
Strong repayment capacity	8,079,597	136,461,277	-	15,282,199	214,471,890	26,343,269	773	10,150	773	773	10,150	400,649,155
Acceptable risk	208,441	794,589	-	8,476,899	77,034,450	2,368,905	5,142	45,641	5,142	5,142	45,641	88,934,067
Total	8,316,017	137,310,149	-	32,293,332	824,606,842	35,356,870	5,915	55,791	5,915	5,915	55,791	1,037,944,916

**Parent
Dec-2018**
In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Rating	Individuals			Loans and advances to customers			Non-individuals			Loans and advances to banks		
	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Others	Overdraft	Loans	Total
Exceptional capacity	-	3,614,562	-	722,614	12,670,598	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,007,774
Very strong capacity	72,348	976,460	-	4,146,309	376,894,708	25,783,449	-	-	-	-	-	407,873,274
Strong repayment capacity	6,154,154	83,130,469	-	22,952,112	264,273,215	15,548,283	6	-	6	6	-	392,058,239
Acceptable risk	714,685	794,612	-	12,087,864	100,779,961	7,194,177	12,886	21,345	12,886	12,886	21,345	121,605,530
Total	6,941,187	88,516,103	-	39,908,899	754,618,482	48,525,909	12,892	21,345	12,892	12,892	21,345	938,544,817

(ii) Stage 2 Loans and Advances to Customers

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans to Individual	Loans to Non-individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Gross Loans:				
Loans	998,559	227,614,815	-	228,613,374
Overdraft	2,119,476	18,726,678	159	20,846,313
Others	-	813,321	-	813,321
	3,118,035	247,154,814	159	250,273,008
Impairment:				
Loans	46,233	5,994,255	-	6,040,488
Overdraft	108,747	638,076	5	746,828
Others	-	41,424	-	41,424
	154,980	6,673,755	5	6,828,740
Net Amount:				
Loans	952,326	221,620,560	-	222,572,886
Overdraft	2,010,729	18,088,602	154	20,099,485
Others	-	771,897	-	771,897
	2,963,055	240,481,059	154	243,444,268
FV of collateral ¹ :				
Loans	26,367,204	5,956,822,536	-	5,983,189,740
Overdraft	55,965,301	568,489,648	-	624,454,949
Others	-	873,342	-	873,342
	82,332,505	6,526,185,526	-	6,608,518,031
Amount of undercollateralisation:				
Overdraft	-	-	159	-
	-	-	159	-
Net Loans	2,963,055	240,481,059	154	243,444,268
Amount of undercollateralisation on net loans	-	-	154	-

¹ The nature of fair value of collateral are set out in the summary of collaterals pledged against loans and advances.

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Group Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans to Individual	Loans to Non-individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Gross Loans:				
Loans	2,994,860	107,962,613	-	110,957,473
Overdraft	1,480,235	48,944,124	3	50,424,362
Others	-	1	-	1
	4,475,095	156,906,738	3	161,381,836
Impairment:				
Loans	35,515	8,143,678	-	8,179,193
Overdraft	20,123	3,080,889	-	3,101,012
Others	-	-	-	-
	55,638	11,224,567	-	11,280,205
Net Amount:				
Loans	2,959,345	99,818,935	-	102,778,280
Overdraft	1,460,112	45,863,235	3	47,323,350
Others	-	1	-	1
	4,419,457	145,682,171	3	150,101,631
FV of collateral ¹ :				
Loans	3,837,762	131,637,253	-	135,475,015
Overdraft	1,896,846	69,430,792	-	71,327,638
Others	-	5	-	5
	5,734,608	201,068,050	-	206,802,658
Amount of undercollateralisation:				
Overdraft	-	-	3	-
	-	-	3	-
Net Loans	4,419,457	145,682,171	3	150,101,631
Amount of undercollateralisation on net loans	-	-	3	-

¹ The nature of fair value of collateral are set out in the summary of collaterals pledged against loans and advances.

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Stage 2 Loans and Advances to Customers (Cont'd)

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans to Individual	Loans to Non-individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Gross Loans:				
Loans	161,698	220,010,040	-	220,171,738
Overdraft	1,999,932	12,719,132	159	14,719,223
Others	-	813,321	-	813,321
	2,161,630	233,542,493	159	235,704,282
Impairment:				
Loans	1,726	5,328,688	-	5,330,414
Overdraft	52,237	133,714	5	185,956
Others	-	41,424	-	41,424
	53,963	5,503,826	5	5,557,794
Net Amount:				
Loans	159,972	214,681,352	-	214,841,324
Overdraft	1,947,695	12,585,418	154	14,533,267
Others	-	771,897	-	771,897
	2,107,667	228,038,667	154	230,146,488
FV of collateral ¹ :				
Loans	161,538	5,952,590,350	-	5,952,751,888
Overdraft	1,371	606,595,262	-	606,596,633
Others	-	873,342	-	873,342
	162,909	6,560,058,954	-	6,560,221,863
Amount of undercollateralisation:				
Overdraft	1,998,561	-	159	-
	1,998,721	-	159	-
Net Loans	2,107,667	228,038,667	154	230,146,488
Amount of undercollateralisation on net loans	1,944,758	-	154	-

¹ The nature of fair value of collateral are set out in the summary of collaterals pledged against loans and advances.

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Parent Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira

	Loans to Individual	Loans to Non-individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Gross Loans:				
Loans	135,966	89,333,176	-	89,469,142
Overdraft	1,086,506	46,348,058	3	47,434,567
Others	-	1	-	1
	1,222,472	135,681,235	3	136,903,710
Impairment:				
Loans	332	8,058,286	-	8,058,618
Overdraft	20,116	3,055,774	-	3,075,890
Others	-	-	-	-
	20,448	11,114,060	-	11,134,508
Net Amount:				
Loans	135,634	81,274,890	-	81,410,524
Overdraft	1,066,390	43,292,284	3	44,358,677
Others	-	1	-	1
	1,202,024	124,567,175	3	125,769,202
FV of collateral ¹ :				
Loans	188,350	94,870,242	-	95,058,592
Overdraft	193,844	62,734,118	-	62,927,962
Others	-	5	-	5
	382,194	157,604,365	-	157,986,559
Amount of undercollateralisation:				
Overdraft	892,662	-	3	-
	840,278	-	3	-
Net Loans	1,202,024	124,567,175	3	125,769,202
Amount of undercollateralisation on net loans	819,830	-	3	-

¹ The nature of fair value of collateral are set out in the summary of collaterals pledged against loans and advances.

(iii) Stage 3 Loans and Advances to Customers

The breakdown of gross amount of Stage 3 Loans, along with the fair value of related collateral held by the Group as security, are as follows:

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans to Individual	Loans to Non-individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Gross loans:				
Loans	6,429,264	62,277,528	2,241	68,709,033
Overdraft	3,516,358	29,593,638	17,099	33,127,095
Others	10,138	606,961	-	617,099
	9,955,760	92,478,127	19,340	102,453,227
Impairment:				
Loans	3,234,052	25,477,432	1,527	28,713,011
Overdraft	2,887,650	20,168,214	6,492	23,062,356
Others	1,124	112,303	-	113,427
	6,122,826	45,757,949	8,019	51,888,794
Net Amount:				
Loans	3,195,212	36,800,096	714	39,996,022
Overdraft	628,708	9,425,424	10,607	10,064,739
Others	9,014	494,658	-	503,672
	3,832,934	46,720,178	11,321	50,564,433
FV of collateral ¹ :				
Loans	5,617,180	131,273,637	2,236	136,893,053
Overdraft	1,380,072	46,510,316	43,646	47,934,034
Others	3,979	342,777	-	346,756
FV of collateral	7,001,231	178,126,730	45,882	185,173,843
Amount of undercollateralisation:				
Loans	812,084	-	5	-
	2,954,529	-	-	-
Net Loans	3,832,934	46,720,178	11,321	50,564,433
Amount of undercollateralisation on net loans	-	-	-	-

¹ The nature of fair value of collateral are set out in the summary of collaterals pledged against loans and advances.

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Group Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans to Individual	Loans to Non-individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Gross loans:				
Loans	4,142,438	46,283,604	1,930	50,427,972
Overdraft	2,695,769	46,085,570	12,568	48,793,907
Others	-	222,913	-	222,913
	6,838,207	92,592,087	14,498	99,444,792
Impairment:				
Loans	3,199,913	31,601,089	1,637	34,802,639
Overdraft	2,185,578	44,040,086	988	46,226,652
Others	-	136,316	-	136,316
	5,385,491	75,777,491	2,625	81,165,607
Net Amount:				
Loans	942,525	14,682,515	293	15,625,333
Overdraft	510,191	2,045,484	11,580	2,567,255
Others	-	86,597	-	86,597
	1,452,716	16,814,596	11,873	18,279,185
FV of collateral ¹ :				
Loans	6,120,700	71,521,510	1,926	77,644,136
Overdraft	3,657,682	66,003,407	43,166	69,704,255
Others	-	556,438	-	556,438
FV of collateral	9,778,382	138,081,355	45,092	147,904,829
Amount of undercollateralisation:				
Loans	-	-	4	-
Net Loans	1,452,716	16,814,596	11,873	18,279,185
Amount of undercollateralisation on net loans	-	-	-	-

¹ The nature of fair value of collateral are set out in the summary of collaterals pledged against loans and advances.

Upon initial recognition of loans and advances, the fair value of collateral is based on valuation techniques commonly used for the corresponding assets. In subsequent periods, the fair value is assessed by reference to market price or indexes of similar assets.

Stage 3 Loans and Advances to Customers (Cont'd)

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans to Individual	Loans to Non-individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Gross loans:				
Loans	4,182,279	50,369,618	2,241	54,554,138
Overdraft	3,407,928	25,518,286	17,099	28,943,313
Others	-	802	-	802
	7,590,207	75,888,706	19,340	83,498,253
Impairment:				
Loans	2,821,813	21,460,405	1,527	24,283,745
Overdraft	2,868,550	18,352,534	6,492	21,227,576
Others	-	659	-	659
	5,690,363	39,813,598	8,019	45,511,980
Net Amount:				
Loans	1,360,466	28,909,213	714	30,270,393
Overdraft	539,378	7,165,752	10,607	7,715,737
Others	-	143	-	143
	1,899,844	36,075,108	11,321	37,986,273
FV of collateral ¹ :				
Loans	5,617,180	97,013,713	2,236	102,633,129
Overdraft	3,069,576	34,923,317	43,646	38,036,539
Others	-	334,218	-	334,218
FV of collateral	8,686,756	132,271,248	45,882	141,003,886
Amount of undercollateralisation:				
Loans	-	-	5	-
Overdraft	338,352	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Net Loans	1,899,844	36,075,108	11,321	37,986,273
Amount of undercollateralisation on net loans	-	-	-	-

¹ The nature of fair value of collateral are set out in the summary of collaterals pledged against loans and advances.

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Parent Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans to Individual	Loans to Non-individual	Loans to Banks	Total
Gross loans:				
Loans	3,451,555	34,241,704	1,930	37,695,189
Overdraft	2,684,003	42,966,341	12,568	45,662,912
Others	-	222,913	-	222,913
	6,135,558	77,430,958	14,498	83,581,014
Impairment:				
Loans	2,817,927	30,001,613	1,637	32,821,177
Overdraft	2,183,327	39,528,812	988	41,713,127
Others	-	136,316	-	136,316
	5,001,254	69,666,741	2,625	74,670,620
Net Amount:				
Loans	633,628	4,240,091	293	4,874,012
Overdraft	500,676	3,437,529	11,580	3,949,785
Others	-	86,597	-	86,597
	1,134,304	7,764,217	11,873	8,910,394
FV of collateral ¹ :				
Loans	6,120,700	52,190,923	1,926	58,313,549
Overdraft	2,668,602	63,291,076	43,166	66,002,844
Others	-	556,438	-	556,438
FV of collateral	8,789,302	116,038,437	45,092	124,872,831
Amount of undercollateralisation:				
Loans	-	-	4	-
Overdraft	15,401	-	-	-
Net Loans	1,134,304	7,764,217	11,873	8,910,394
Amount of undercollateralisation on net loans	-	-	-	-

¹ The nature of fair value of collateral are set out in the summary of collaterals pledged against loans and advances.



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(v) Credit collateral

The Group ensures that each credit is reviewed and granted based on the strength of the borrowers' cash flow. However, the Group also ensures its credit facilities are well secured as a second way out. The policies that guide collateral for facilities are embedded within the Group's credit policy guide. These include the following policy statements amongst others:

Loans to individuals or sole proprietors must be secured by tangible, marketable collateral that has a market value that is supported by a valuation report from a registered estate valuer who is acceptable to the Group. The collateral must also be easy to check and easy to dispose of. This collateral must be in the possession of, or pledged to, the Group. Client's account balances must be within the scope of cover provided by its collateral.

All collateral offered must have the following attributes:

- There must be good legal title
- The title must be easy to transfer
- It should be easy and relatively cheap to value
- The value should be appreciating or at least stable
- The security must be easy to sell.

All collateral must be protected by insurance. Exceptions include cash collateral, securities in safe keeping, indemnity or guarantees, or where our interest is general (for instance in a negative pledge). The insurance policy has to be issued by an insurer acceptable to the Bank. All cash collateralized facilities shall have a 20% margin to provide cushion for interest and other charges

i.e. only 80% of the deposit or cash collateral may be availed to an obligor.

The main collateral types acceptable to the Bank for loans and advances include:

- Mortgages over residential properties
- Charges over business premises, fixed and floating assets as well as inventory.
- Charges over financial instruments such as equities, treasury bills etc.

The fair values of collaterals are based upon last annual valuation undertaken by independent valuers on behalf of the Bank. The valuation techniques adopted for properties are based upon fair values of similar properties in the neighbourhood taking into cognizance the advantages and disadvantages of the comparatives over the subject property and any other factor which can have effect on the valuation e.g. subsequent movements in house prices, after making allowance for dilapidations. The fair values of non-property collaterals (such as equities, bond, treasury bills, etc.) are determined with reference to market quoted prices or market values of similar instrument.

The same Fair value approach is used in determining the collaterals value in the course of sale or realisation. The Bank uses external agents to realize the value as soon as practicable, generally at auction, to settle indebtedness. Any surplus funds are returned to the borrower.

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Summary of collaterals pledged by customers against loans and advances

An estimate of the fair value of any collateral and other security enhancements held against loans and advances to customers and banks is shown below:

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans and advances to customers		Loans and advances to Banks	
	Gross Loans	Collateral	Gross Loans	Collateral
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances	1,215,050,795	7,956,337,501	1,561,990	40,200
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances	250,272,849	6,608,518,031	159	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances	102,433,887	185,127,961	19,340	45,882
Total	1,567,757,531	14,749,983,493	1,581,489	86,082

Group Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans and advances to customers		Loans and advances to Banks	
	Gross Loans	Collateral	Gross Loans	Collateral
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances	1,098,263,564	11,123,108,271	2,982,805	194,506
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances	161,381,833	206,802,658	3	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances	99,430,294	147,859,739	14,498	45,092
Total	1,359,075,691	11,477,770,668	2,997,306	239,598

Parent Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans and advances to customers		Loans and advances to Banks	
	Gross Loans	Collateral	Gross Loans	Collateral
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances	1,037,883,210	7,581,332,584	61,706	40,200
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances	235,704,123	6,560,221,863	159	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances	83,478,913	140,958,004	19,340	45,882
Total	1,357,066,246	14,282,512,451	81,205	86,082

Parent Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans and advances to customers		Loans and advances to Banks	
	Gross Loans	Collateral	Gross Loans	Collateral
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances	938,510,580	11,015,566,685	34,237	194,506
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances	136,903,707	157,986,559	3	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances	83,566,516	124,827,739	14,498	45,092
Total	1,158,980,803	11,298,380,983	48,738	239,598

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The type of Collaterals and Other Security enhancement held against the various loan classifications are disclosed in the table below:

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans and advances to customers	Loans and advances to banks
	Dec-2019	Dec-2019
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances:		
Property	1,886,181,539	40,200
Equities	33,022,360	-
Treasury bills	1,802,139	-
Cash	263,346,283	-
Guarantees	60,277,840	-
Negative pledge	13,699,968	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	20,487,432	-
Others #	5,677,519,940	-
Total	7,956,337,501	40,200
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances:		
Property	49,404,468	-
Equities	31,728,760	-
Cash	3,053,196	-
Guarantees	359,514	-
Negative pledge	11,617,857	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	-	-
Others #	6,512,354,236	-
Total	6,608,518,031	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances:		
Property	114,181,497	42,000
Equities	775,392	-
Treasury bills	55,500	-
Cash	7,891,034	-
Guarantees	2,766,380	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	511,340	-
Others #	58,946,818	3,882
Total	185,127,961	45,882
Grand total	14,749,983,493	86,082

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*ATC: Authority to collect

#Others include Domiciliation, Counter Indemnity, Asset Debenture, etc

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Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans and advances to customers Dec-2019	Loans and advances to banks Dec-2019
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances:		
Property	1,577,466,453	40,200
Equities	32,986,674	-
Treasury bills	1,802,139	-
Cash	253,037,908	-
Guarantees	58,738,647	-
Negative pledge	12,501,655	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	20,487,432	-
Others #	5,624,311,676	-
Total	7,581,332,584	40,200
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances:		
Property	2,572,255	-
Equities	31,728,760	-
Cash	3,012,000	-
Guarantees	350,000	-
Negative pledge	11,617,857	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	-	-
Others #	6,510,940,991	-
Total	6,560,221,863	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances:		
Property	70,823,971	42,000
Equities	775,392	-
Treasury bills	55,500	-
Cash	7,602,972	-
Guarantees	2,766,380	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	511,340	-
Others #	58,422,449	3,882
Total	140,958,004	45,882
Grand total	14,282,512,451	86,082

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The type of Collaterals and Other Security enhancement held against the various loan classifications are disclosed in the table below:

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans and advances to customers	Loans and advances to banks
	Dec-2018	Dec-2018
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances:		
Property	4,046,025,992	194,500
Equities	301,819,653	-
Treasury bills	13,908,077	-
Cash	37,471,873	-
Guarantees	103,925,369	-
Negative pledge	23,800,000	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	2,322,150	-
Others #	6,593,835,157	6
Total	11,123,108,271	194,506
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances:		
Property	92,625,821	-
Equities	19,612,198	-
Cash	3,234,223	-
Guarantees	3,452,379	-
Negative pledge	51,137,234	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	866,667	-
Others #	35,874,136	-
Total	206,802,658	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances:		
Property	117,634,645	42,000
Equities	1,123,210	-
Treasury bills	92,735	-
Cash	92,753	-
Guarantees	476,712	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	1,762,084	-
Others #	26,677,600	3,092
Total	147,859,739	45,092
Grand total	11,477,770,668	239,598

*ISPO: Irrevocable standing payment order

*ATC: Authority to collect

Others include Domiciliation, Counter Indemnity, Asset Debenture, etc

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Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans and advances to customers Dec-2018	Loans and advances to banks Dec-2018
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances:		
Property	3,949,906,339	194,500
Equities	301,819,653	-
Treasury bills	13,908,077	-
Cash	35,182,944	-
Guarantees	96,058,784	-
Negative pledge	23,800,000	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	338,331	-
Others #	6,594,552,557	6
Total	11,015,566,685	194,506
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances:		
Property	46,906,797	-
Equities	19,612,198	-
Cash	3,234,223	-
Guarantees	1,252,279	-
Negative pledge	50,240,259	-
Others #	35,874,136	-
Total	157,986,559	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances:		
Property	97,003,984	42,000
Equities	1,123,210	-
Treasury bills	92,735	-
Cash	92,753	-
Guarantees	476,712	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	1,762,084	-
Others #	24,276,261	3,092
Total	124,827,739	45,092
Grand total	11,298,380,983	239,598

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Others include Domiciliation, Counter Indemnity, Asset Debenture, etc

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Summary of collaterals pledged by customers against loans and advances

Analysis of credit collateral is further shown below:

Group Dec-2019	Loans and advances to customers			Loans and advances to banks			Total
	Term Loans	Overdrafts	Others	Term Loans	Overdrafts	Others	
In thousands of Nigerian Naira							
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances:							
Property	1,126,347,180	235,874,921	523,959,438	36,129	4,071	-	40,200
Equities	32,897,686	124,674	-	-	-	-	-
Cash	238,236,025	5,861,378	19,248,880	-	-	-	-
Guarantees	10,548,664	19,624,165	30,105,011	-	-	-	-
Negative Pledge	2,452,489	6,589,552	4,657,927	-	-	-	-
Treasury Bills	1,791,955	10,184	-	-	-	-	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	20,209,780	277,652	-	-	-	-	-
Others #	5,580,858,974	49,246,957	47,414,009	-	-	-	-
Total	7,013,342,753	317,609,483	625,385,265	36,129	4,071	-	40,200
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances:							
Property	31,144,669	17,386,457	873,342	-	-	-	-
Equities	31,728,760	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash	16,686	3,036,510	-	-	-	-	-
Guarantees	259,796	99,718	-	-	-	-	-
Negative pledge	11,515,767	102,090	-	-	-	-	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Others #	5,908,524,062	603,830,174	-	-	-	-	-
Total	5,983,189,740	624,454,949	873,342	-	-	-	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances:							
Property	92,764,321	21,070,529	346,647	-	42,000	-	42,000
Equities	769,206	6,186	-	-	-	-	-
Treasury bills	50,000	5,500	-	-	-	-	-
Cash	7,863,492	27,542	-	-	-	-	-
Guarantees	2,333,822	432,449	109	-	-	-	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	431,571	79,769	-	-	-	-	-
Others #	32,678,405	26,268,413	-	2,236	1,646	-	3,882
Total	136,890,817	47,890,388	346,756	2,236	43,646	-	45,882
Grand total	13,133,423,310	989,954,820	626,605,363	38,365	47,717	-	86,082

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Parent Dec-2019	Loans and advances to customers				Loans and advances to banks			
	Term Loans	Overdrafts	Others	Total	Term Loans	Overdrafts	Others	Total
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances:								
In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
Property	968,737,918	84,933,602	523,794,933	1,577,466,453	36,129	4,071	-	40,200
Equities	32,862,000	124,674	-	32,986,674	-	-	-	-
Cash	230,531,389	3,257,639	19,248,880	253,037,908	-	-	-	-
Guarantees	10,023,259	18,610,377	30,105,011	58,738,647	-	-	-	-
Negative pledge	2,452,489	5,391,239	4,657,927	12,501,655	-	-	-	-
Treasury bills	1,791,955	10,184	-	1,802,139	-	-	-	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	20,209,780	277,652	-	20,487,432	-	-	-	-
Others #	5,534,187,092	42,710,575	47,414,009	5,624,311,676	-	-	-	-
Total	6,800,795,882	155,315,942	625,220,760	7,581,332,584	36,129	4,071	-	40,200
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances:								
Property	1,410,222	288,691	873,342	2,572,255	-	-	-	-
Equities	31,728,760	-	-	31,728,760	-	-	-	-
Cash	-	3,012,000	-	3,012,000	-	-	-	-
Guarantees	253,977	96,023	-	350,000	-	-	-	-
Negative pledge	11,515,767	102,090	-	11,617,857	-	-	-	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Others #	5,907,843,162	603,097,829	-	6,510,940,991	-	-	-	-
Total	5,952,751,888	606,596,633	873,342	6,560,221,863	-	-	-	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances:								
Property	59,059,732	11,430,130	334,109	70,823,971	-	42,000	-	42,000
Equities	769,206	6,186	-	775,392	-	-	-	-
Treasury bills	50,000	5,500	-	55,500	-	-	-	-
Cash	7,579,300	23,672	-	7,602,972	-	-	-	-
Guarantees	2,333,822	432,449	109	2,766,380	-	-	-	-
ATC *, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	431,571	79,769	-	511,340	-	-	-	-
Others #	32,407,262	26,015,187	-	58,422,449	2,236	1,646	-	3,882
Total	102,630,893	37,992,893	334,218	140,958,004	2,236	43,646	-	45,882
Grand total	12,856,178,663	799,905,468	626,428,320	14,282,512,451	38,365	47,717	-	86,082

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Summary of collaterals pledged by customers against loans and advances

Analysis of credit collateral is further shown below:

Group Dec-2018	Loans and advances to customers			Loans and advances to banks		
	Term Loans	Overdrafts	Others	Term Loans	Overdrafts	Others
In thousands of Nigerian Naira						
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances:						
Property	3,531,739,279	488,826,723	25,459,990	148,000	46,500	-
Equities	298,706,930	3,112,723	-	-	-	-
Cash	11,241,023	2,275,464	23,955,386	-	-	-
Guarantees	71,155,763	27,424,006	5,345,600	-	-	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	2,207,122	115,028	-	-	-	-
Others #	5,143,013,311	1,343,848,616	106,973,230	-	6	-
Total	9,058,063,428	1,865,602,560	161,734,206	148,000	46,506	194,506
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances:						
Property	61,098,471	31,527,350	-	-	-	-
Equities	19,609,161	3,037	-	-	-	-
Cash	207,218	3,027,000	5	-	-	-
Guarantees	2,200,100	1,252,279	-	-	-	-
Negative pledge	28,725,296	22,411,938	-	-	-	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	250,070	616,597	-	-	-	-
Others #	23,384,699	12,489,437	-	-	-	-
Total	135,475,015	71,327,638	5	-	-	-
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances:						
Property	60,602,486	56,697,935	334,224	-	42,000	-
Equities	1,027,132	96,078	-	-	-	-
Treasury bills	87,607	5,128	-	-	-	-
Cash	68,081	24,672	-	-	-	-
Guarantees	437,534	39,178	-	-	-	-
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	1,012,454	749,630	-	-	-	-
Others #	14,406,918	12,048,468	222,214	1,926	1,166	-
Total	77,642,212	69,661,089	556,438	1,926	43,166	3,092
Grand total	9,271,180,655	2,006,591,287	162,290,649	149,926	89,672	239,598

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Parent Dec-2018	Loans and advances to customers			Loans and advances to banks			
	Term Loans	Overdrafts	Others	Term Loans	Overdrafts	Others	Total
In thousands of Nigerian Naira							
Against Stage 1 Loans and Advances:							
Property	3,457,990,010	466,456,339	25,459,990	148,000	46,500	-	194,500
Equities	298,706,930	3,112,723	-	-	-	-	301,819,653
Cash	9,442,043	1,785,515	23,955,386	-	-	-	35,182,944
Guarantees	63,289,178	27,424,006	5,345,600	-	-	-	96,058,784
Negative pledge	4,450,957	5,002,984	14,346,059	-	-	-	23,800,000
Treasury bills	2,910,651	10,997,426	-	-	-	-	13,908,077
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	223,303	115,028	-	-	-	-	338,331
Others #	5,143,730,711	1,343,848,616	106,973,230	-	6	-	6,594,552,557
Total	8,980,743,783	1,858,742,637	176,080,265	148,000	46,506	-	11,015,566,685
Against Stage 2 Loans and Advances:							
Property	23,779,123	23,127,674	-	-	-	-	46,906,797
Equities	19,609,161	3,037	-	-	-	-	19,612,198
Cash	207,218	3,027,000	5	-	-	-	3,234,223
Guarantees	-	1,252,279	-	-	-	-	1,252,279
Negative pledge	27,828,321	22,411,938	-	-	-	-	50,240,259
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	250,070	616,597	-	-	-	-	866,667
Others #	23,384,699	12,489,437	-	-	-	-	35,874,136
Total	95,058,592	62,927,962	5	-	-	-	157,986,559
Against Stage 3 Loans and Advances:							
Property	43,673,236	52,996,524	334,224	-	42,000	-	97,003,984
Equities	1,027,132	96,078	-	-	-	-	1,123,210
Treasury bills	87,607	5,128	-	-	-	-	92,735
Cash	68,081	24,672	-	-	-	-	92,753
Guarantees	437,534	39,178	-	-	-	-	476,712
ATC*, stock hypothecation and ISPO*	1,012,454	749,630	-	-	-	-	1,762,084
Others #	12,005,579	12,048,468	222,214	1,926	1,166	-	24,276,261
Total	58,311,623	65,959,678	556,438	1,926	43,166	-	124,827,739
Grand total	9,134,113,998	1,987,630,277	176,636,708	149,926	89,672	-	11,298,380,983

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(b) Credit risk (continued)

Debt securities

The table below shows analysis of debt securities into the different classifications:

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Financial assets held for trading	Investment securities	Assets pledged as collateral	Total
Federal government bonds	16,543,481	53,996,278	-	70,539,759
State government bonds	-	2,003,583	-	2,003,583
FVPL Notes	-	29,834,367	-	29,834,367
Treasury bills	56,942,620	673,758,762	58,036,855	788,738,237
	73,486,101	759,592,990	58,036,855	891,115,946

The Group's investment in risk-free Government securities constitutes 96% of debt instruments portfolio (December 2018: 99%). Investment in Corporate and State Government bonds accounts for the outstanding 4% (December 2018: 1%).

Group Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Financial assets held for trading	Investment securities	Assets pledged as collateral	Total
Federal government bonds	-	68,335,026	-	68,335,026
State government bonds	-	2,003,272	-	2,003,272
Corporate bonds	-	7,764,296	-	7,764,296
Treasury bills	11,314,814	555,511,274	56,777,170	623,603,258
	11,314,814	633,613,868	56,777,170	701,705,852

Parent Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Financial assets held for trading	Investment securities	Assets pledged as collateral	Total
Federal government bonds	835,307	12,083,313	-	12,918,620
State government bonds	-	2,003,583	-	2,003,583
FVPL Notes	-	29,834,367	-	29,834,367
Treasury bills	43,882,381	482,463,092	57,790,749	584,136,222
	44,717,688	526,384,355	57,790,749	628,892,792

The Bank's investment in risk-free Government securities constitutes 95% of debt instruments portfolio (December 2018: 98%). Investment in Corporate and State Government bonds accounts for the outstanding 5% (December 2018: 2%).

Parent Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Financial assets held for trading	Investment securities	Assets pledged as collateral	Total
Federal government bonds	-	11,082,523	-	11,082,523
State government bonds	-	2,003,273	-	2,003,273
Corporate bonds	-	7,380,390	-	7,380,390
Treasury bills	8,920,153	440,085,129	56,291,739	505,297,021
	8,920,153	460,551,315	56,291,739	525,763,207

(g) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the group, though having a solvent balance sheet, might not be able to generate sufficient cash resources to meet its obligations as they fall due, or is only able to do so at an excessive cost. The risk typically arises from mismatches in the timing of cash inflows and cash outflows.

The objective of the Group's liquidity risk management system is to ensure that all foreseeable funding commitments can be met when due, and that access to wholesale markets is controlled and cost effective. To this end the Group maintains a diversified funding base comprising of retail, small business, commercial and institutional customer deposits. The Group continues to develop and improve its liquidity risk management system with the aim of effectively identifying, measuring, monitoring and controlling liquidity risk across its network. Seeking at all times to balance safety, liquidity, profitability and regulatory requirements.

A brief overview of the Group's liquidity management processes during the year includes the following:

1. Control of liquidity risk by the setting of dynamic limits on metrics such as liquidity ratio, reserve ratio, asset and liability gap measures, amongst others. Internal limits are typically more stringent than regulatory limits across all jurisdictions of the Group's operation.
2. The limits are monitored regularly with exceptions reported to the Management Risk Committee (MRC) and the Board.
3. Based on its judgement of financial market trends, the Group actively adjusts its business strategies to manage liquidity risk.
4. Periodic cash flow projections considering its impact on internal and regulatory limits.
5. Control of non-earning assets proportion to manage its impact on the Group's overall financial position.
6. Conduct regular liquidity stress tests including testing of contingency plans.
7. Monitor diversification of funding sources in order to control concentration risk. and ensure a satisfactorily funding mix.
8. Monitoring the level of undrawn commitments.
9. Maintain an updated liquidity and contingency funding plan. These plans will identify stress indicators and prescribe actions to be taken in event of firm specific or market based crises.
10. Regular conduct of the Asset and Liability Management Committee (ALMAC) meetings.

The Group's Asset and Liability Management Committee (ALMAC) is charged with the following responsibilities.

1. Establishing policies and tolerance levels, from both risk and return perspectives, for liquidity, interest rate and balance sheet valuation management.
2. Manage the intra-day liquidity position to ensure that payment and settlement obligations are met on a timely basis.

3. Strategic financial position planning from both risk and return perspective.
4. Strategically coordinate the management of the Bank's financial position in consideration of changing economic conditions.

(i) Funding approach

The Group's overall approach to funding is as follows:

1. Consistently grow customer deposits from diverse sources particularly along geographical and sectorial categories. The objective is to eliminate depositor concentration or undue reliance individual depositors.
2. Generate funding at the most appropriate pricing in light of market realities.
3. Maintain an appropriate funding structure that enables the Group to operate under a variety of adverse circumstance, including potential firm-specific and/or market liquidity events.
4. Maintain appropriate capital to support the Group's risk level and strategic intent.

The Group was able to meet all its financial commitments and obligations without any liquidity risk exposure during the year under review.

(ii) Exposure to Liquidity Risk

One of the key measure used by the Group for managing liquidity risk is the ratio of liquid assets to short term liabilities. For this purpose, liquid assets include but is not limited to cash and its equivalents and investment grade debt securities for which there is an active and liquid market. Short term liabilities include local currency deposits from banks and customers. A similar calculation is used to measure the Group's compliance with the liquidity limit established by the Bank's lead regulator (The Central Bank of Nigeria).

	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
At end of year	49.33%	41.44%
Average for the year	44.43%	48.07%
Maximum for the year	49.86%	55.88%
Minimum for the year	36.80%	38.58%
Regulatory requirement	30.00%	30.00%

Liquidity ratio which is a measure of liquidity risk is calculated as a ratio of local currency liquid assets expressed as a percentage of its local currency customer deposits.

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The following tables show the undiscounted cash flows on the Group's financial assets and liabilities and on the basis of their earliest possible contractual maturity. The Gross nominal inflow / (outflow) disclosed in the table is the contractual, undiscounted cash flow on the financial assets and liabilities.

(iii) Gross nominal (undiscounted) maturities of financial assets and liabilities

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/outflow	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets								
Cash and bank balances	23	593,551,117	594,157,021	585,758,882	4,975,902	3,422,237	-	-
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	73,486,101	80,259,988	15,352,542	14,697,379	32,072,137	5,518,539	12,619,391
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	11,444,197	1,582,659	760,600	9,100,938	-	-
Investment securities:								
- Fair value through profit or loss ²	26	29,834,367	54,162,361	-	27,061,690	27,100,671	-	-
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ²	26	584,197,391	657,125,370	111,420,972	30,193,298	482,160,078	2,098,288	31,252,734
- Held at amortised cost	26	145,561,232	146,879,392	41,013,043	62,455,991	16,256,066	24,765,425	2,388,867
Assets pledged as collateral	27	58,036,855	59,940,106	28,346,106	31,594,000	-	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	1,513,310	1,528,308	1,466,304	8,600	16,640	36,764	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,500,572,046	1,823,891,111	480,150,559	176,570,835	213,173,056	782,602,782	171,393,879
Restricted deposits and other assets ³	34	518,275,514	518,625,364	498,529,028	5,340,773	2,700,034	11,705,599	349,930
		3,531,039,756	3,948,013,218	1,763,620,095	353,659,068	786,001,857	826,727,397	218,004,801
Financial liabilities								
Deposits from banks	35	107,518,398	107,518,529	97,576,014	723,941	9,218,574	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,532,540,384	2,533,573,490	2,484,880,462	16,535,559	30,828,373	1,214,418	114,678
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	1,671,409	759,055	476,707	435,647	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	1,377,975	1,377,975	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities ⁴	38	226,621,182	226,621,147	87,079,709	126,346,034	1,903,373	11,292,031	-
Other borrowed funds	40	162,999,909	168,463,141	12,758,150	16,174,959	20,029,944	98,550,423	20,949,665
		3,033,611,149	3,039,225,691	2,684,431,365	160,257,200	62,415,911	111,056,872	21,064,343
Gap (asset - liabilities)				(920,811,270)	193,401,868	723,585,946	715,670,525	196,940,458
Cumulative liquidity gap				(920,811,270)	(727,409,402)	(3,823,456)	711,847,069	908,787,527

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

² Equity securities have been excluded under Gross Nominal consideration.

³ Excludes Prepayments

⁴ Excludes deferred Income, impairment on contingents and provision for litigations

Management of this liquidity gap is as disclosed in Note 4(g)

Restricted deposits have been bucketed within "less than 3 months" to match the underlying deposit liabilities

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Gross nominal (undiscounted) maturities of financial assets and liabilities

Group
Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/outflow	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets								
Cash and bank balances	23	676,989,012	684,888,871	622,619,752	31,388,309	30,880,810	-	-
Financial assets held for trading	24	11,314,814	12,035,769	3,655,872	1,402,123	6,369,485	608,289	-
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	3,927,773	3,390,609	537,164	-	-	-
Investment securities:								
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ²	26	534,994,359	604,675,127	170,378,560	68,058,875	319,526,168	11,000,773	35,710,751
- Held at amortised cost	26	98,619,509	100,267,957	11,434,343	24,261,354	11,393,879	18,488,305	34,690,076
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,777,170	64,279,431	459,922	-	63,794,000	25,509	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	2,994,642	2,996,825	2,979,554	6,032	11,239	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,259,010,359	1,783,373,076	372,593,725	152,093,129	186,554,096	830,545,801	241,586,325
Restricted deposits and other assets ³	34	484,262,706	484,262,706	467,132,272	4,909,855	1,207,892	11,012,687	-
		3,128,817,492	3,740,707,535	1,654,644,609	282,656,841	619,737,569	871,681,364	311,987,152
Financial liabilities								
Deposits from banks	35	82,803,047	82,802,591	56,333,265	16,197,869	10,271,457	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,273,903,143	2,275,622,752	2,098,060,216	121,242,352	48,223,520	8,096,664	-
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	2,331,546	674,820	120,497	1,135,352	-	400,877
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	3,294,678	3,294,678	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities ⁴	38	133,114,496	133,502,300	50,012,831	66,497,041	2,967,346	14,025,082	-
Other borrowed funds	40	178,566,800	188,301,828	12,445,615	20,395,806	23,175,846	107,934,106	24,350,455
		2,674,005,571	2,685,855,695	2,220,821,425	224,453,565	85,773,521	130,055,852	24,751,332
Gap (asset - liabilities)			(566,176,816)		58,203,276	533,964,048	741,625,512	287,235,820
Cumulative liquidity gap			(507,973,540)		25,990,508	767,616,020	1,054,851,840	

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

² Equity securities have been excluded under Gross Nominal consideration.

³ Excludes Prepayments

⁴ Excludes deferred income, impairment on contingents and provision for litigations

Management of this liquidity gap is as disclosed in Note 4(g)

Restricted deposits have been bucketed within "less than 3 months" to match the underlying deposit liabilities

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Gross nominal (undiscounted) maturities of financial assets and liabilities

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/outflow	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets								
Cash and bank balances	23	396,915,777	397,521,708	395,680,668	-	1,841,040	-	-
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	44,717,688	51,491,580	7,203,136	11,947,907	28,518,116	-	3,822,421
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	11,444,197	1,582,659	760,600	9,100,938	-	-
Investment securities:								
- Fair value through profit or loss ²	26	29,834,367	54,162,361	-	27,061,690	27,100,671	-	-
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ²	26	494,546,405	567,474,857	67,691,519	18,632,780	449,897,824	-	31,252,734
- Held at amortised cost	26	2,003,583	3,321,808	-	-	-	3,321,808	-
Assets pledged as collateral	27	57,790,749	59,694,000	28,100,000	31,594,000	-	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	72,451	87,449	25,445	8,600	16,640	36,764	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,300,820,647	1,624,139,883	422,079,282	151,962,581	153,431,283	735,878,382	160,788,355
Restricted deposits and other assets ³	34	507,981,561	507,981,560	488,692,658	5,290,933	2,652,479	11,345,490	-
		2,860,695,051	3,277,319,403	1,411,055,367	247,259,091	672,558,991	750,582,444	195,863,510
Financial liabilities								
Deposits from banks	35	15,200	15,200	15,200	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,086,810,070	2,087,843,197	2,080,649,660	3,667,667	3,515,412	10,458	-
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	1,671,409	759,055	476,707	435,647	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	2,341,154	1,377,975	753,365	209,814	-	-
Other liabilities ⁴	38	199,536,392	199,536,393	73,652,106	125,674,078	-	210,209	-
Other borrowed funds	40	162,742,565	168,205,757	12,758,150	15,917,575	20,029,944	98,550,423	20,949,665
		2,453,035,503	2,459,613,110	2,169,212,146	146,489,392	24,190,817	98,771,090	20,949,665
Gap (asset - liabilities)			(758,156,779)		100,769,699	648,368,174	651,811,354	174,913,845
Cumulative liquidity gap			(758,156,779)		(657,387,080)	(9,018,906)	642,792,448	817,706,293

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

² Equity securities have been excluded under Gross Nominal consideration.

³ Excludes Prepayments

⁴ Excludes deferred income, impairment on contingents and provision for litigations

Management of this liquidity gap is as disclosed in Note 4(g)

Restricted deposits have been bucketed within "less than 3 months" to match the underlying deposit liabilities

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Gross nominal (undiscounted) maturities of financial assets and liabilities

Parent Dec-2018	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/outflow	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
Financial assets								
	23	457,497,929	458,243,656	407,970,683	21,459,130	28,813,843	-	-
	24	8,920,153	9,641,107	2,967,513	1,233,599	5,439,995	-	-
	25	3,854,921	3,927,773	3,390,609	537,164	-	-	-
Investment securities:								
	26	458,548,043	528,228,968	121,450,000	60,631,625	304,524,882	8,918,722	32,703,739
	26	2,003,272	3,651,808	-	-	-	3,651,808	-
	27	56,291,739	63,794,000	-	-	63,794,000	-	-
	28	46,074	48,257	30,986	6,032	11,239	-	-
	29	1,064,999,019	1,592,361,661	339,251,788	110,579,074	141,730,533	777,687,752	223,112,514
	34	485,822,956	482,822,956	465,692,522	4,909,855	1,207,892	11,012,687	-
		2,537,984,106	3,142,720,186	1,340,754,101	199,356,479	545,522,384	801,270,969	255,816,253
Financial liabilities								
	35	735,929	735,929	735,929	-	-	-	-
	36	1,865,816,172	1,867,536,286	1,858,412,811	5,348,322	3,713,239	61,914	-
	37	1,865,419	2,331,546	674,820	120,497	1,135,352	-	400,877
	25	3,752,666	3,825,090	3,294,678	530,412	-	-	-
	38	112,975,988	112,975,987	42,323,832	66,497,041	-	4,155,114	-
	40	177,361,218	187,096,262	12,445,615	19,945,532	23,175,846	107,178,814	24,350,455
		2,162,507,392	2,174,501,100	1,917,887,685	92,441,804	28,024,437	111,395,842	24,751,332
				(577,133,584)	106,914,675	517,497,947	689,875,127	231,064,921
				(577,133,584)	(470,218,909)	47,279,038	737,154,165	968,219,086

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

² Equity securities have been excluded under Gross Nominal consideration.

³ Excludes Prepayments

⁴ Excludes deferred income, impairment on contingents and provision for litigations

Management of this liquidity gap is as disclosed in Note 4(g)

Restricted deposits have been bucketed within "less than 3 months" to match the underlying deposit liabilities

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

(i) Residual contractual maturities of financial assets and liabilities

Details of contractual maturities for assets and liabilities form an important source of information for the management of liquidity risk which is managed through a series of measures, tests and reports that are largely based on contractual maturity. The following table shows the contractual maturities at period end of the Group's financial assets and liabilities and represents actual and in some cases assumed obligation expected for the assets or liability to be recovered or settled. These figures do not include elements of future incomes or costs.

Group Dec-2019		Carrying amount	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
	In thousands of Nigerian Naira						
	Financial assets						
	Cash and bank balances	593,551,117	585,156,020	4,975,902	3,419,195	-	-
	Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	73,486,101	15,286,065	14,116,876	28,932,344	5,518,539	9,632,277
	Derivative financial assets	26,011,823	17,217,431	746,839	8,047,553	-	-
	Investment securities:						
	– Fair value through profit or loss ²	29,834,367	-	29,834,367	-	-	-
	– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ²	584,197,391	110,808,481	29,229,544	429,977,764	2,098,288	12,083,314
	– Held at amortised cost	145,561,232	41,013,109	62,455,991	16,256,066	23,447,199	2,388,867
	Assets pledged as collateral	58,036,855	28,183,311	29,853,544	-	-	-
	Loans and advances to banks	1,513,310	1,513,310	-	-	-	-
	Loans and advances to customers	1,500,572,046	527,331,872	205,595,724	158,995,266	539,626,869	69,022,315
	Restricted deposits and other assets ³	518,275,514	498,529,108	5,340,773	2,700,034	11,705,599	-
		3,531,039,756	1,825,038,707	382,149,560	648,328,222	582,396,494	93,126,773
	Financial liabilities						
	Deposits from banks	107,518,398	97,575,883	723,941	9,218,574	-	-
	Deposits from customers	2,532,540,384	2,484,025,932	16,485,793	30,701,312	1,212,669	114,678
	Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	1,615,735	755,530	456,131	404,074	-	-
	Derivative financial liabilities	2,315,541	1,371,044	739,732	204,765	-	-
	Other liabilities ⁴	226,621,182	87,079,744	126,346,034	1,903,373	11,292,031	-
	Other borrowed funds	162,999,909	12,160,290	14,634,054	18,600,494	96,655,406	20,949,665
	Gap (asset - liabilities)	3,033,611,149	2,682,968,423	159,385,685	61,032,592	109,160,106	21,064,343
	Cumulative liquidity gap		(857,929,716)	222,763,875	587,295,630	473,236,388	72,062,430
			(857,929,716)	(635,165,841)	(47,870,211)	425,366,177	497,428,607

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

² Equity securities have been excluded under liquidity consideration.

³ Excludes prepayments

⁴ Excludes deferred income, provision for litigations & impairment on contingents

Management of this liquidity gap is as disclosed in Note 4(g)

Restricted deposits have been bucketed within "less than 3 months" to match the underlying deposit liabilities

Residual contractual maturities of contingencies

The table below shows the contractual expiry by maturity of the Group's contingent liabilities and commitments. The maximum amount of the contingencies is allocated to the earliest period in which the contingencies could be called.

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Transaction related bonds and guarantees	43	351,764,791	27,132,555	24,691,452	26,284,683	46,266,825	227,389,276
Clean line facilities and letters of credit	43	57,673,046	47,342,163	3,898,662	6,432,221	-	-
Other commitments	43	3,903,752	3,518,177	302,937	82,638	-	-
		413,341,589	77,992,895	28,893,051	32,799,542	46,266,825	227,389,276

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Residual contractual maturities of financial assets and liabilities

Group
Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	23	676,989,012	614,963,180	31,308,402	30,717,430	-	-
Financial assets held for trading	24	11,314,814	3,611,911	1,344,081	5,750,533	608,289	-
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	3,337,487	517,434	-	-	-
Investment securities:							
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ²	26	534,994,359	169,976,207	64,762,322	278,222,487	9,462,441	12,570,902
- Held at amortised cost	26	98,619,509	11,434,431	24,261,354	11,393,879	16,839,769	34,690,076
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,777,170	459,922	-	56,291,739	25,509	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	2,994,642	2,994,642	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,259,010,359	457,889,986	129,287,425	135,203,410	451,570,342	85,059,196
Restricted deposits and other assets ³	34	484,262,706	467,132,272	4,909,855	1,207,892	11,012,687	-
		3,128,817,492	1,731,800,038	256,390,873	518,787,370	489,519,037	132,320,174
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	35	82,803,047	56,333,721	16,197,869	10,271,457	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,273,903,143	2,096,999,602	120,821,548	47,991,456	8,090,537	-
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	659,094	113,676	985,089	-	107,560
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	3,241,736	510,930	-	-	-
Other liabilities ⁴	38	133,114,496	49,625,026	66,497,041	2,967,347	14,025,082	-
Other borrowed funds	40	178,566,800	11,856,935	18,327,198	21,113,566	102,918,646	24,350,455
		2,674,005,571	2,218,716,114	222,468,262	83,328,915	125,034,265	24,458,015
Gap (asset - liabilities)		(486,916,076)	(486,916,076)	(452,993,465)	(17,535,010)	364,484,772	107,862,159
Cumulative liquidity gap						346,949,762	454,811,921

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

² Equity securities have been excluded under liquidity consideration.

³ Excludes prepayments

⁴ Excludes deferred income and provision for litigations

Management of this liquidity gap is as disclosed in Note 4(g)

Restricted deposits have been bucketed within "less than 3 months" to match the underlying deposit liabilities

Residual contractual maturities of contingencies

The table below shows the contractual expiry by maturity of the Group's contingent liabilities and commitments. The maximum amount of the contingencies is allocated to the earliest period in which the contingencies could be called.

**Group
Dec-2018**

	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
In thousands of Nigerian Naira							
Transaction related bonds and guarantees	43	386,386,612	48,620,259	23,114,253	28,082,700	54,732,839	231,836,561
Clean line facilities and letters of credit	43	46,922,591	31,697,405	10,807,456	4,064,220	68,922	284,588
Other commitments	43	7,742,322	4,062,313	449,821	2,850,665	269,878	109,645
		441,051,525	84,379,977	34,371,530	34,997,585	55,071,639	232,230,794

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Residual contractual maturities of financial assets and liabilities

Details of contractual maturities for assets and liabilities form an important source of information for the management of liquidity risk which is managed through a series of measures, tests and reports that are largely based on contractual maturity. The following table shows the contractual maturities at period end of the Group's financial assets and liabilities and represents actual and in some cases assumed obligation expected for the assets or liability to be recovered or settled. These figures do not include elements of future incomes or costs.

Parent Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	23	396,915,777	395,077,779	-	1,837,998	-	-
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	44,717,688	7,136,654	11,367,404	25,378,323	-	835,307
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	17,217,431	746,839	8,047,553	-	-
Investment securities:							
- Fair value through profit or loss ²	26	29,834,367	-	29,834,367	-	-	-
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ²	26	494,546,405	67,078,555	17,669,026	397,715,510	-	12,083,314
- Held at amortised cost	26	2,003,583	-	-	-	2,003,583	-
Assets pledged as collateral	27	57,790,749	27,937,205	29,853,544	-	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	72,451	72,451	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,300,820,647	469,260,424	180,987,470	99,253,493	492,902,469	58,416,791
Restricted deposits and other assets ³	34	507,981,561	488,692,659	5,290,933	2,652,479	11,345,490	-
		2,860,695,051	1,472,473,158	275,749,583	534,885,356	506,251,542	71,335,412
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	35	15,200	15,200	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,086,810,070	2,079,795,112	3,617,900	3,388,350	8,708	-
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	755,530	456,131	404,074	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	1,371,044	739,732	204,765	-	-
Other liabilities ⁴	38	199,536,392	73,652,105	125,674,078	-	210,209	-
Other borrowed funds	40	162,742,565	12,160,330	14,376,670	18,600,494	96,655,406	20,949,665
		2,453,035,503	2,167,749,321	144,864,511	22,597,683	96,874,323	20,949,665
Gap (asset - liabilities)			(695,276,163)	130,885,072	512,287,673	409,377,219	50,385,747
Cumulative liquidity gap			(695,276,163)	(564,391,091)	(52,103,418)	357,273,801	407,659,548

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

² Equity securities have been excluded under liquidity consideration.

³ Excludes prepayments

⁴ Excludes deferred income, provision for litigations & impairment on contingents

Management of this liquidity gap is as disclosed in Note 4(g)

Restricted deposits have been bucketed within "less than 3 months" to match the underlying deposit liabilities

Residual contractual maturities of contingencies

The table below shows the contractual expiry by maturity of the Parent's contingent liabilities and commitments. The maximum amount of the contingencies is allocated to the earliest period in which the contingencies could be called.

Parent Dec-2019	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
In thousands of Nigerian Naira							
Transaction related bonds and guarantees	43	320,056,325	14,475,219	18,059,035	19,418,714	40,938,810	227,164,547
Clean line facilities and letters of credit	43	22,753,615	15,191,721	2,544,716	5,017,178	-	-
		342,809,940	29,666,940	20,603,751	24,435,892	40,938,810	227,164,547

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Residual contractual maturities of financial assets and liabilities

Parent
Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	23	457,497,929	407,468,244	21,379,223	28,650,462	-	-
Financial assets held for trading	24	8,920,153	2,923,553	1,175,557	4,821,043	-	-
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	3,337,487	517,434	-	-	-
Investment securities:							
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ²	26	458,548,043	119,617,951	57,335,072	264,650,740	7,380,390	9,563,890
– Held at amortised cost	26	2,003,272	-	-	-	2,003,272	-
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,291,739	-	-	56,291,739	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	46,074	46,074	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,067,999,019	424,050,878	87,605,030	89,142,085	400,615,641	66,585,385
Restricted deposits and other assets ³	34	482,822,956	465,692,522	4,909,855	1,207,892	11,012,687	-
		2,537,984,106	1,423,136,709	172,922,171	444,763,961	421,011,990	76,149,275
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	35	735,929	735,929	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	1,865,816,172	1,857,042,119	5,229,962	3,488,304	55,787	-
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	659,094	113,676	985,089	-	107,560
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	3,241,736	510,930	-	-	-
Other liabilities ⁴	38	112,975,988	42,323,833	66,497,041	-	4,155,114	-
Other borrowed funds	40	177,361,218	11,856,919	17,876,924	21,113,566	102,163,354	24,350,455
		2,162,507,392	1,915,859,630	90,228,533	25,586,959	106,374,255	24,458,015
Gap (asset - liabilities)			(492,722,921)	82,693,638	419,177,002	314,637,735	51,691,260
Cumulative liquidity gap			(492,722,921)	(410,029,283)	9,147,719	323,785,454	375,476,714

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

² Equity securities have been excluded under liquidity consideration.

³ Excludes prepayments

⁴ Excludes deferred income and provision for litigations

Management of this liquidity gap is as disclosed in Note 4(g)

Restricted deposits have been bucketed within “less than 3 months” to match the underlying deposit liabilities

Residual contractual maturities of contingencies

The table below shows the contractual expiry by maturity of the Parent's contingent liabilities and commitments. The maximum amount of the contingencies is allocated to the earliest period in which the contingencies could be called.

Parent
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	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months ¹	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
In thousands of Nigerian Naira							
Transaction related bonds and guarantees	43	362,816,565	39,398,558	18,160,470	23,902,603	50,682,502	230,672,432
Clean line facilities and letters of credit	43	22,059,650	13,532,750	4,661,639	3,865,261	-	-
		384,876,215	52,931,308	22,822,109	27,767,864	50,682,502	230,672,432

¹ Includes balances with no specific contractual maturities

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(ii) Repricing period of financial assets and liabilities

Repricing maturities take into account the fact that the terms of the underlying financial assets or liabilities of the Group can be varied, which in turn affects its liquidity risk exposure. The table below indicates the earliest time the Group can vary the terms of the underlying financial asset or liabilities and analyses the Group's interest rate risk exposure on assets and liabilities included at carrying amount and categorised by the earlier of contractual re-pricing or maturity dates.

Group Dec-2019	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
In thousands of Nigerian Naira							
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	23	593,551,117	585,156,020	4,975,902	3,419,195	-	-
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	73,486,101	15,286,065	14,116,876	28,932,344	5,518,539	9,632,277
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	17,217,431	746,839	8,047,553	-	-
Investment securities:							
- Fair value through profit or loss ¹	26	29,834,367	-	29,834,367	-	-	-
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ¹	26	584,197,391	110,808,481	29,229,544	429,977,764	2,098,288	12,083,314
- Held at amortised cost	26	145,561,232	41,013,109	62,455,991	16,256,066	23,447,199	2,388,867
Assets pledged as collateral	27	58,036,855	28,183,311	29,853,544	-	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	1,513,310	1,513,310	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,500,572,046	1,167,823,097	135,523,039	68,981,773	98,593,403	29,650,734
Restricted deposits and other assets ²	34	518,275,514	498,529,108	5,340,773	2,700,034	11,705,599	-
		3,531,039,756	2,465,529,932	312,076,875	558,314,729	141,363,028	53,755,192
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	35	107,518,398	97,575,883	723,941	9,218,574	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,532,540,384	2,484,025,932	16,485,793	30,701,312	1,212,669	114,678
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	755,530	456,131	404,074	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	1,371,044	739,732	204,765	-	-
Other liabilities ³	39	226,621,182	87,079,744	126,346,034	1,903,373	11,292,031	-
Other borrowed funds	41	162,999,909	12,160,290	14,634,054	18,600,494	96,655,406	20,949,665
		3,033,611,149	2,682,968,423	159,385,685	61,032,592	109,160,106	21,064,343
		497,428,607	(217,438,491)	152,691,190	497,282,137	32,202,922	32,690,849

¹ Excludes equity securities.

² Excludes prepayments

³ Excludes deferred income, provision for litigations & impairment on contingents

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Repricing period of financial assets and liabilities

Repricing maturities take into account the fact that the terms of the underlying financial assets or liabilities of the Group can be varied, which in turn affects its liquidity risk exposure. The table below indicates the earliest time the Group can vary the terms of the underlying financial asset or liabilities and analyses the Group's interest rate risk exposure on assets and liabilities included at carrying amount and categorised by the earlier of contractual re-pricing or maturity dates.

Group Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	23	676,989,012	614,963,180	31,308,402	30,717,430	-	-
Financial assets held for trading	24	11,314,814	3,611,911	1,344,081	5,750,533	608,289	-
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	3,337,487	517,434	-	-	-
Investment securities:							
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ¹	26	534,994,359	169,976,207	64,762,322	278,222,487	9,462,441	12,570,902
– Held at amortised cost	26	98,619,509	11,434,431	24,261,354	11,393,879	16,839,769	34,690,076
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,777,170	459,922	-	56,291,739	25,509	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	2,994,642	2,994,642	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,259,010,359	1,003,193,790	52,508,658	63,163,798	101,759,793	38,384,320
Restricted deposits and other assets ²	34	484,262,706	467,132,272	4,909,855	1,207,892	11,012,687	-
		3,128,817,492	2,277,103,842	179,612,106	446,747,758	139,708,488	85,645,298
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	35	82,803,047	56,333,721	16,197,869	10,271,457	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,273,903,143	2,091,490,259	117,301,188	57,021,159	8,090,537	-
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	659,094	113,676	985,089	-	107,560
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	3,241,736	510,930	-	-	-
Other liabilities ³	38	133,114,496	49,625,026	70,652,155	2,967,347	9,869,968	-
Other borrowed funds	40	178,566,800	11,856,935	18,327,198	21,113,566	102,918,646	24,350,455
		2,674,005,571	2,213,206,771	223,103,016	92,358,618	120,879,151	24,458,015
		454,811,921	63,897,071	(43,490,910)	354,389,140	18,829,337	61,187,283

¹ Excludes equity securities.

² Excludes prepayments

³ Excludes deferred income and provision for litigations

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Repricing period of financial assets and liabilities

Repricing maturities take into account the fact that the terms of the underlying financial assets or liabilities of the Group can be varied, which in turn affects its liquidity risk exposure. The table below indicates the earliest time the Group can vary the terms of the underlying financial asset or liabilities and analyses the Group's interest rate risk exposure on assets and liabilities included at carrying amount and categorised by the earlier of contractual re-pricing or maturity dates.

Parent
Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	23	396,915,777	395,077,779	-	1,837,998	-	-
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	44,717,688	7,136,654	11,367,404	25,378,323	-	835,307
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	17,217,431	746,839	8,047,553	-	-
Investment securities:							
- Fair value through profit or loss ¹	26	29,834,367	-	29,834,367	-	-	-
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ¹	26	494,546,405	67,078,555	17,669,026	397,715,510	-	12,083,314
- Held at amortised cost	26	2,003,583	-	-	-	2,003,583	-
Assets pledged as collateral	27	57,790,749	27,937,205	29,853,544	-	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	72,451	72,451	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,300,820,647	1,109,751,649	110,914,785	9,240,000	51,869,003	19,045,210
Restricted deposits and other assets ²	34	507,981,561	488,692,659	5,290,933	2,652,479	11,345,490	-
		2,860,695,051	2,112,964,383	205,676,898	444,871,863	65,218,076	31,963,831
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	35	15,200	15,200	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,086,810,070	2,079,795,112	3,617,900	3,388,350	8,708	-
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	755,530	456,131	404,074	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	1,371,044	739,732	204,765	-	-
Other liabilities ³	38	199,536,392	73,652,105	125,674,078	-	210,209	-
Other borrowed funds	40	162,742,565	12,160,330	14,376,670	18,600,494	96,655,406	20,949,665
		2,453,035,503	2,167,749,321	144,864,511	22,597,683	96,874,323	20,949,665
		407,659,548	(54,784,938)	60,812,387	422,274,180	(31,656,247)	11,014,166

¹ Excludes equity securities.

² Excludes prepayments

³ Excludes deferred income, provision for litigations & impairment on contingents

Repricing period of financial assets and liabilities

Repricing maturities take into account the fact that the terms of the underlying financial assets or liabilities of the Group can be varied, which in turn affects its liquidity risk exposure. The table below indicates the earliest time the Group can vary the terms of the underlying financial asset or liabilities and analyses the Group's interest rate risk exposure on assets and liabilities included at carrying amount and categorised by the earlier of contractual re-pricing or maturity dates.

**Parent
Dec-2018**

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Less than 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years
Financial assets							
Cash and bank balances	23	457,497,929	407,468,244	21,379,223	28,650,462	-	-
Financial assets held for trading	24	8,920,153	2,923,553	1,175,557	4,821,043	-	-
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	3,337,487	517,434	-	-	-
Investment securities:							
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income ¹	26	458,548,043	119,617,951	57,335,072	264,650,740	7,380,390	9,563,890
- Held at amortised cost	26	2,003,272	-	-	-	2,003,272	-
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,291,739	-	-	56,291,739	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	46,074	46,074	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,067,999,019	969,354,681	12,112,631	12,090,967	54,530,231	19,910,509
Restricted deposits and other assets ²	34	482,822,956	465,692,522	4,909,855	1,207,892	11,012,687	-
		2,537,984,106	1,968,440,512	97,429,772	367,712,843	74,926,580	29,474,399
Financial liabilities							
Deposits from banks	35	735,929	735,929	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	1,865,816,172	1,857,042,119	5,229,962	3,488,304	55,787	-
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	659,094	113,676	985,089	-	107,560
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	3,241,736	510,930	-	-	-
Other liabilities ³	38	112,975,988	42,323,833	70,652,155	-	-	-
Other borrowed funds	40	177,361,218	11,856,919	17,876,924	21,113,566	102,163,354	24,350,455
		2,162,507,392	1,915,859,630	94,383,647	25,586,959	102,219,141	24,458,015
		375,476,714	52,580,882	3,046,125	342,125,884	(27,292,561)	5,016,384

¹ Excludes equity securities.

² Excludes prepayments

³ Excludes deferred income and provision for litigations

(h) Settlement Risk

The Treasury Group activities with counterparties may give rise to settlement risk at the time of settlement of trade transactions. Settlement risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of a counterparty to honour its obligations i.e. deliver cash, securities or other assets, as contractually agreed.

In order to ensure that these risks are mitigated and controlled, the Market & Liquidity Risk Management (MLRM) Group has put in place Settlement Limits. These limits are sought periodically using various criteria based on the counterparty's financial statement and some other non-financial parameters. The FX Settlement limits are approved at the Management Credit Committee meeting and / or Board level, depending on the limit of each counterparty.

(i) Market Risk

Market risk is the risk of loss in On- or Off-balance sheet positions, as a result of adverse movement in foreign exchange rate, interest rate, and equity or commodity prices. Whilst the group may be faced with myriads of market risks, the Market & Liquidity Risk Management Group ensures these risks are managed and controlled within the bank's acceptable parameters, while optimising returns on risk.

(i) Management of Market Risk

The Market & Liquidity Risk Management Group separates its market risk exposures into the trading and banking books. Due to the various macro-economic indices and unanticipated market happenings, it has become more imperative for the group to engage in continuous but proactive monitoring of market risks inherent in both trading and non-trading activities.

The trading portfolio resides with the Treasury & Sales Group of the Bank, and they maintain positions arising from market making and proprietary trading activities. With the exception of translation risk arising from the bank's net investment in foreign currency, the Market & Liquidity Risk Group monitors the foreign exchange position in the trading and banking books.

The overall authority of the Market & Liquidity Risk Management Group is vested in the Management Risk Committee.

(ii) Exposure to Market Risks – Trading Book

The principal tools used by Market & Liquidity Risk Management Group to measure and control market risk exposure within the Bank's trading portfolios are the Open Position limits, Mark-to-Market Analysis, Value-at-Risk Analysis, Sensitivity Analysis and the Earning-at-Risk Analysis. Specific limits (regulatory and in-house) across the trading portfolios have been clearly defined, in line with the Bank's overall risk appetite. These set limits shall prevent undue exposure in the event of abrupt market volatility. The MLRM group ensures that these limits and triggers are adhered to by the Treasury & Sales Group.

The Bank traded in the following financial instruments in the course of the year;

1. Treasury Bills
2. Bonds
3. Foreign Currencies (Spot and Forwards)

4. Money Market Instruments

(iii) Exposure to Interest Rate Risk – Banking Book

The principal risk to which non-trading portfolios are exposed to, is the risk of loss from fluctuations in the future cash flows or fair values of financial instruments because of a change in market interest rates. Interest rate risk is managed principally using interest rate gaps. The Asset & Liability Management (ALM) Group is responsible for managing and monitoring mismatches between the bank's assets and liabilities. The Asset & Liability Management Committee (ALMAC) is responsible for ensuring compliance with these limits while the limits are independently verified by Market & Liquidity Risk Management group.

The Bank makes use of limit monitoring, earnings-at-risk and gap analyses to measure and control the market risk exposures within its banking book.

The bank also performs regular stress tests on its banking and trading books. In performing this, the bank ensures there are quantitative criteria in building the scenarios. The bank determines the effect of changes in interest rates on interest income; volatility in prices on trading income; and changes in funding sources and uses on the bank's liquidity.

During the year, the foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and price risk, were the key risks the bank was exposed to. However, all potential risk exposures in the course of the year were successfully mitigated as mentioned above.

(iv) Value-at-Risk (VaR)

GTBank applies VaR, a statistical risk measure, to estimate the maximum potential loss the Bank can incur on trading positions at a given confidence level under normal market condition. VaR is the Bank's primary market risk management measure for assets and liabilities classified as trading positions. However, the Bank does not only base its risk estimates on VaR models, it uses sensitivity, scenario analysis and stress testing to further complement it.

GTBank uses the analytical variance-covariance method to estimate VaR, which takes cognizance of factor sensitivities of the trading portfolio, the volatilities and correlations of market risk factor. The model is employed across the Group and applies observable historical rates, yields and prices for the previous 12 months to its current positions. It assumes that historical changes in market values are representative of the distribution of potential outcome in the immediate future. The Group's VaR is calculated assuming a one-day holding period and an expected tail loss methodology which approximates a 99% confidence level.

VaR statistics can be materially different across firms due to differences in portfolio composition, differences in VaR methodologies, and differences in model parameters. As a result, GTBank believes VaR statistics can be used more effectively as indicators of trends in risk-taking within a firm, rather than as a basis for inferring differences in risk-taking across firms.

The Bank trades on foreign currencies, Bonds and Treasury bills instruments, while its subsidiaries trade mainly in bills and an insignificant amount foreign currencies and bonds. The resultant risk exposures are interest and foreign exchange risks.

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The table below presents, risk by category, average VaR and end of period-end VaR as well as the high and low VaR for the period.

Group VaR by risk type		Dec-19		
In thousands of Naira	Average	High	Low	At reporting date
Foreign exchange risk	155,544	549,851	52	2,157
Interest rate risk	213,071	1,192,788	13,103	601,397
Total	368,615	1,742,639	13,155	603,553

Group VaR by risk type		Dec-18		
In thousands of Naira	Average	High	Low	At reporting date
Foreign exchange risk	94,980	415,232	14,321	71,929
Interest rate risk	210,475	855,267	28,306	61,001
Total	305,455	1,270,499	42,626	132,930

Bank VaR by risk type		Dec-19		
In thousands of Naira	Average	High	Low	At reporting date
Foreign exchange risk	97,402	344,318	33	1,351
Interest rate risk	133,426	746,928	8,205	563,672
Total	230,828	1,091,246	8,238	565,023

Bank VaR by risk type		Dec-19		
In thousands of Naira	Average	High	Low	At reporting date
Foreign exchange risk	59,447	260,020	8,968	45,042
Interest rate risk	131,800	535,571	17,725	38,199
Total	191,277	795,590	26,693	83,241

(v) Other market risks: Sensitivity analysis of non-trading portfolios to various scenarios

The management of interest rate risk against interest rate gap limits is supplemented with monitoring the sensitivity of the Group's financial assets and liabilities to various scenarios. Credit spread risk (not relating to changes in the obligor / issuer's credit standing) on debt securities held by the Group and equity price risk is subject to regular monitoring by Group Management Risk committee but is not currently significant in relation to the overall results and financial position of the Group.

Interest rate movement have both cash flow and fair value effect depending on whether interest rate is fixed or floating. The impact resulting from adverse or favourable movement flows from either retained earnings or OCI and ultimately ends in equity in the following manner:

- Retained earnings arising from increase or decrease in net interest income and the fair value changes reported in profit or loss.
- Fair value reserves arising from increases or decreases in fair value of financial instruments FVOCI reported directly in other comprehensive income.

At 31 Dec 2019, the Group's interest rate risk arises principally

from risk assets and borrowings i.e. (deposit liabilities and long-term borrowings). Borrowings issued at variable rates expose the group to cash flow interest rate risk which is partially offset by cash held at variable rates. Borrowings issued at fixed rates expose the group to fair value interest rate risk.

The Group therefore analyses its interest rate exposure on a dynamic basis. Various scenarios are simulated taking into consideration refinancing, renewal of existing positions, alternative financing and hedging. Based on these scenarios, the group calculates the impact on profit and loss of a defined interest rate shift. For each simulation, the same interest rate shift is used for all currencies. The scenarios are run only for assets and liabilities that represent the major interest-earning and bearing positions. Major assumptions underlying the sensitivity are as follows:

- 100 basis point changes in floating interest rate on assets held at amortized cost; assets accounted at fair value through profit or loss as well as other comprehensive income (Dec 2018 – 100 basis points) with all other variables held constant, resulted in the impact on profit or loss as set out in the table on page 189.
- 100 basis point changes in floating interest rate for Borrowed funds, Financial liabilities held for trading, Term deposits; 30 basis point changes for Savings deposits; and 15 basis point

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changes for Current deposits.

In arriving at the 100 basis point used for the sensitivity analysis of interest rate, the fluctuation in the interest rate of the Group's major assets and liabilities were considered as shown below:

- The prime lending rate on loans and advances which ranged between 14.92% and 18.23% over the period, a change of about 100 basis points is therefore probable.
- The discount rate on various maturities of treasury bills

ranged between 4.00% and 15.00% over the financial period as published by Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)

- A 100 basis point proportional change in the cost of fund was also assumed because costs of funds seldom vary beyond 100 basis point.

The table below shows the changes that would impact the income statement after carrying out interest rate sensitivity:

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-19 Pre-tax	Dec-19 Post-tax	Dec-18 Pre-tax	Dec-18 Post-tax
Decrease	(13,055,321)	(11,149,244)	(15,369,609)	(13,167,144)
Asset	(22,088,231)	(18,863,349)	(25,265,607)	(21,645,045)
Liabilities	9,032,910	7,714,105	9,895,998	8,477,902
Increase	13,055,321	11,149,244	15,369,609	13,167,144
Asset	22,088,231	18,863,349	25,265,607	21,645,045
Liabilities	(9,032,910)	(7,714,105)	(9,895,998)	(8,477,902)
Parent				
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-19 Pre-tax	Dec-19 Post-tax	Dec-18 Pre-tax	Dec-18 Post-tax
Decrease	(12,813,861)	(11,239,038)	(12,653,856)	(11,108,820)
Asset	(20,407,791)	(17,899,674)	(21,156,565)	(18,573,348)
Liabilities	7,593,930	6,660,636	8,502,709	7,464,528
Increase	12,813,861	11,239,038	12,653,856	11,108,820
Asset	20,407,791	17,899,674	21,156,565	18,573,348
Liabilities	(7,593,930)	(6,660,636)	(8,502,709)	(7,464,528)

The aggregated figures presented above are further segregated into their various components as shown in the following tables:

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Components of Statement of financial position Interest Rate sensitivity (Fair Value and Cash Flow Interest Rate Risk)

Group	Dec-19 Pre-tax	Dec-19 Post-tax	Dec-18 Pre-tax	Dec-18 Post-tax
In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Decrease				
Assets				
Cash and bank balances	(3,596,382)	(3,071,310)	(3,896,821)	(3,338,407)
Loans and advances to banks	(15,109)	(12,903)	(29,600)	(25,359)
Loans and advances to customers	(11,737,256)	(10,023,617)	(14,119,824)	(12,096,453)
Financial assets held for trading	(495,791)	(423,405)	(182,013)	(155,931)
Investment securities	(6,240,656)	(5,329,520)	(6,408,815)	(5,490,432)
Assets pledged as collateral	(3,037)	(2,593)	(628,532)	(538,464)
	(22,088,231)	(18,863,349)	(25,265,607)	(21,645,045)
Liabilities				
Deposits from banks	54,359	46,423	41,796	35,807
Deposits from customers	7,027,781	6,001,725	6,892,746	5,905,016
Financial liabilities held for trading	119,064	101,680	148,804	127,481
Debt securities issued	-	-	808,235	692,415
Other borrowed funds	1,831,707	1,564,277	2,004,417	1,717,184
	9,032,910	7,714,105	9,895,998	8,477,902
Total	(13,055,321)	(11,149,244)	(15,369,609)	(13,167,144)
Increase				
Assets				
Cash and bank balances	3,596,382	3,071,310	3,896,821	3,338,407
Loans and advances to banks	15,109	12,903	29,600	25,359
Loans and advances to customers	11,737,256	10,023,617	14,119,824	12,096,453
Financial assets held for trading	495,791	423,405	182,013	155,931
Investment securities	6,240,656	5,329,520	6,408,815	5,490,432
Assets pledged as collateral	3,037	2,593	628,532	538,464
	22,088,231	18,863,349	25,265,607	21,645,045
Liabilities				
Deposits from banks	(54,359)	(46,423)	(41,796)	(35,807)
Deposits from customers	(7,027,781)	(6,001,725)	(6,892,746)	(5,905,016)
Financial liabilities held for trading	(119,064)	(101,680)	(148,804)	(127,481)
Debt securities issued	-	-	(808,235)	(692,415)
Other borrowed funds	(1,831,707)	(1,564,277)	(2,004,417)	(1,717,184)
	(9,032,910)	(7,714,105)	(9,895,998)	(8,477,902)
Total	13,055,321	11,149,244	15,369,609	13,167,144

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Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-19 Pre-tax	Dec-19 Post-tax	Dec-18 Pre-tax	Dec-18 Post-tax
Decrease				
Assets				
Cash and bank balances	(3,530,732)	(3,096,805)	(3,490,274)	(3,064,111)
Loans and advances to Banks	(700)	(614)	(115)	(101)
Loans and advances to Customers	(11,722,848)	(10,282,110)	(12,209,711)	(10,718,905)
Financial assets held for trading	(208,107)	(182,530)	(158,067)	(138,767)
Investment securities	(4,944,829)	(4,337,110)	(4,674,721)	(4,103,938)
Assets pledged as collateral	(576)	(505)	(623,678)	(547,527)
	(20,407,791)	(17,899,674)	(21,156,565)	(18,573,348)
Liabilities				
Deposits from banks	12,794	11,222	15,257	13,395
Deposits from customers	5,632,939	4,940,651	5,538,052	4,861,856
Financial liabilities held for trading	119,064	104,431	148,804	130,635
Debt securities issued	-	-	808,235	709,549.27
Other borrowed funds	1,829,133	1,604,333	1,992,361	1,749,093
	7,593,930	6,660,636	8,502,709	7,464,528
Total	(12,813,861)	(11,239,038)	(12,653,856)	(11,108,820)
Increase				
Assets				
Cash and bank balances	3,530,732	3,096,805	3,490,274	3,064,111
Loans and advances to Banks	700	614	115	101
Loans and advances to Customers	11,722,848	10,282,110	12,209,711	10,718,905
Financial assets held for trading	208,107	182,530	158,067	138,767
Investment securities	4,944,829	4,337,110	4,674,721	4,103,938
Assets pledged as collateral	576	505	623,678	547,527
	20,407,791	17,899,674	21,156,565	18,573,348
Liabilities				
Deposits from banks	(12,794)	(11,222)	(15,257)	(13,395)
Deposits from customers	(5,632,939)	(4,940,651)	(5,538,052)	(4,861,856)
Financial liabilities held for trading	(119,064)	(104,431)	(148,804)	(130,635)
Debt securities issued	-	-	(808,235)	(709,549)
Other borrowed funds	(1,829,133)	(1,604,333)	(1,992,361)	(1,749,093)
	(7,593,930)	(6,660,636)	(8,502,709)	(7,464,528)
Total	12,813,861	11,239,038	12,653,856	11,108,820

As for Cash flow interest rate risk, this risk arises from long-term borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable rates expose the group to cash flow interest rate risk which is partially offset by cash held at variable rates.

At 31 Dec 2019, if interest rates on borrowed funds at amortised cost increased or reduced by 100 basis points with all other variables held constant, the effect on cash flow would have been as set out below:

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-19 Pre-tax	Dec-19 Post-tax	Dec-18 Pre-tax	Dec-18 Post-tax
Decrease	1,831,707	1,564,277	2,014,417	1,725,751
Increase	(1,831,707)	(1,564,277)	(2,014,417)	(1,725,751)

Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-19 Pre-tax	Dec-19 Post-tax	Dec-18 Pre-tax	Dec-18 Post-tax
Decrease	1,829,133	1,604,333	2,002,361	1,757,872
Increase	(1,829,133)	(1,604,333)	(2,002,361)	(1,757,872)

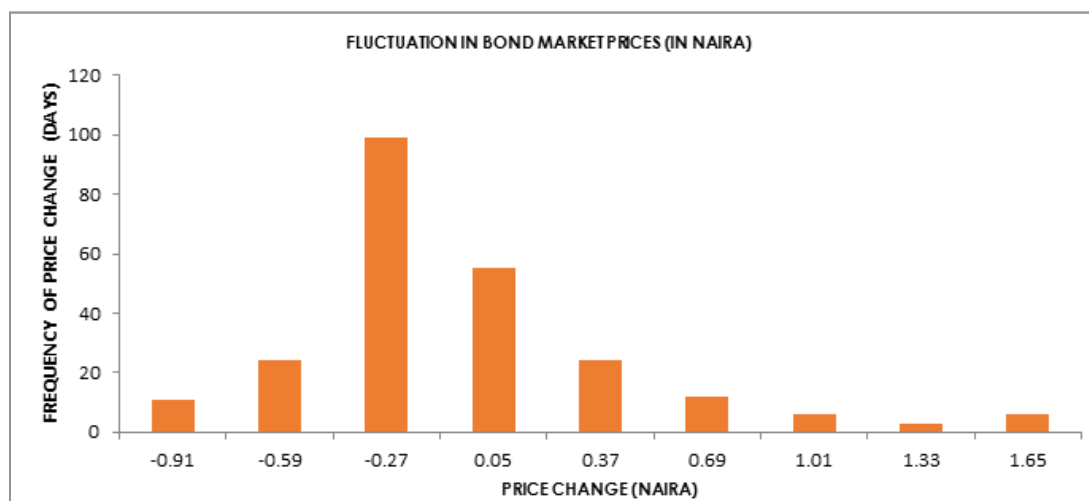
(vi) Sensitivity Analysis of Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income Portfolio to Price

1. Financial Instrument held as Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income

The Group recognized fair value changes for FVOCI Bonds, Bills and Equities as at 31 December 2019 and the comparative year in 2018. The Group carried out the following in determining sensitivity of its other comprehensive income to fluctuations in market prices of the financial assets:

Bonds to be Fair Valued through Other Comprehensive Income

- Daily bond prices were obtained and trended for the different series of Bonds in issue as at the reporting date.
- A reasonably possible change of (0.91)/1.65 in bond price was determined based on the distribution of one year daily change in market prices. The results were that fluctuations were in the range of \pm (0.91)/1.65 naira.
- The chosen reasonable change in market prices was then applied to the bank's holding of bonds designated as FVOCI as at end of the year.



The result of the price sensitivity i.e. impact on other comprehensive income as at 31 December 2019, when price of bonds designated as FVOCI increased or decreased by \pm (0.91)/1.65 naira with all other variables held constant, would have been as set out in the tables below:

Group

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(136,612)	(116,666)	(151,589)	(129,866)
Increase	218,858	186,905	151,589	129,866

Parent

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(101,140)	(88,710)	(126,143)	(110,741)
Increase	183,387	160,848	126,143	110,741

Treasury Bills to be Fair Valued through Other Comprehensive Income OCI

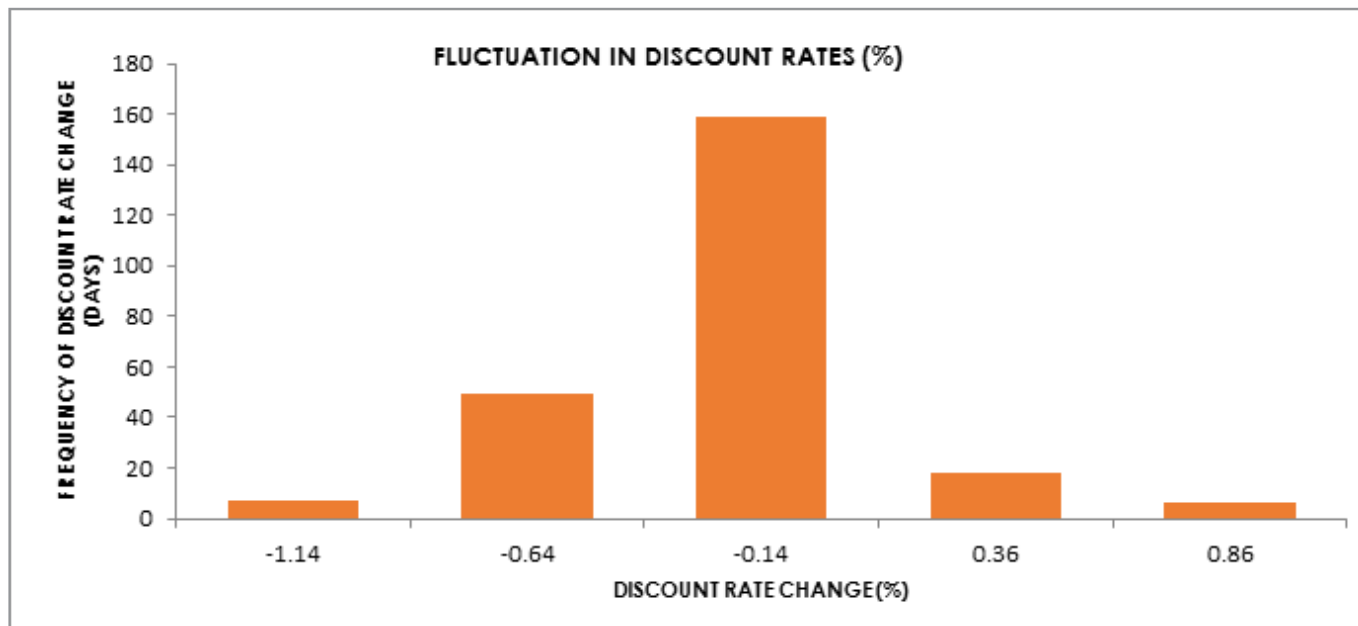
The Group carried out the following in determining sensitivity of the Group's profit to fluctuations in market prices of treasury bills:

- Daily market discount rates were obtained and trended for the different maturities of treasury bills in issue as at the reporting date.
- A reasonably possible change of (1.14)/0.86 percentage change was determined based on the distribution of one-year daily

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change in discount rates on treasury bills. A large proportion of changes in discount rates falls in the range of (1.14)/0.86 percentage change.

- The chosen reasonable change in market discount rates was then applied to the bank's holding of Fair value through OCI treasury bills as at end of the year.



The result of the price sensitivity i.e. impact on other comprehensive income as at 31 December 2019, if discount rates of treasury bills designated as FVOCI, converted to prices, increased or reduced by (1.14)/0.86 percentage change with all other variables held constant, would have been as set out in the tables below:

Group

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	5,505,987	4,702,113	3,433,021	2,941,069
Increase	(4,338,467)	(3,705,051)	(3,433,021)	(2,941,069)

Parent

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	4,753,477	4,169,275	3,076,235	2,700,627
Increase	(3,585,956)	(3,145,242)	(3,076,235)	(2,700,627)

(vii) Sensitivity analysis of level 3 equity Instruments

The estimated fair value per share of each of the unquoted equity instruments has been determined using the relevant valuation models (where applicable/suitable). IFRS 13 outlines three approaches to fair value measurements. We have adopted the income approach in determining the fair values of these investments. Among the significant inputs into the models are the following:

1. Risk free rate (Rf)
2. Beta (B) coefficient
3. Market return (Rm)
4. Free cash flow (FCF)
5. Cost of debt/equity etc.

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The inputs were used to determine appropriate weighted cost of capital which subsequently was used to discount the free cash flow of the company before arriving at the appropriate fair value of the share of the unquoted equity.

In determining the sensitivity of the fair value of the unquoted equity instruments to changes to the various inputs, we have arrived at a reasonably possible change of (1.14)/0.86 increase or decrease to the risk-free rate. The resultant impact to pre-tax and post-tax results arising from the sensitivity analysis are as shown in the tables below.

Impact on Other Comprehensive Income

Group

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	140,850	120,286	71,238	61,029
Increase	(90,702)	(77,460)	(71,238)	(61,029)

Parent

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	140,756	123,457	71,144	62,457
Increase	(90,609)	(79,473)	(71,144)	(62,457)

Impact on Income statement

Group

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	467,959	399,637	239,763	205,405
Increase	(291,649)	(249,068)	(239,763)	(205,405)

Parent

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	467,959	410,447	239,763	210,488
Increase	(291,649)	(255,805)	(239,763)	(210,488)

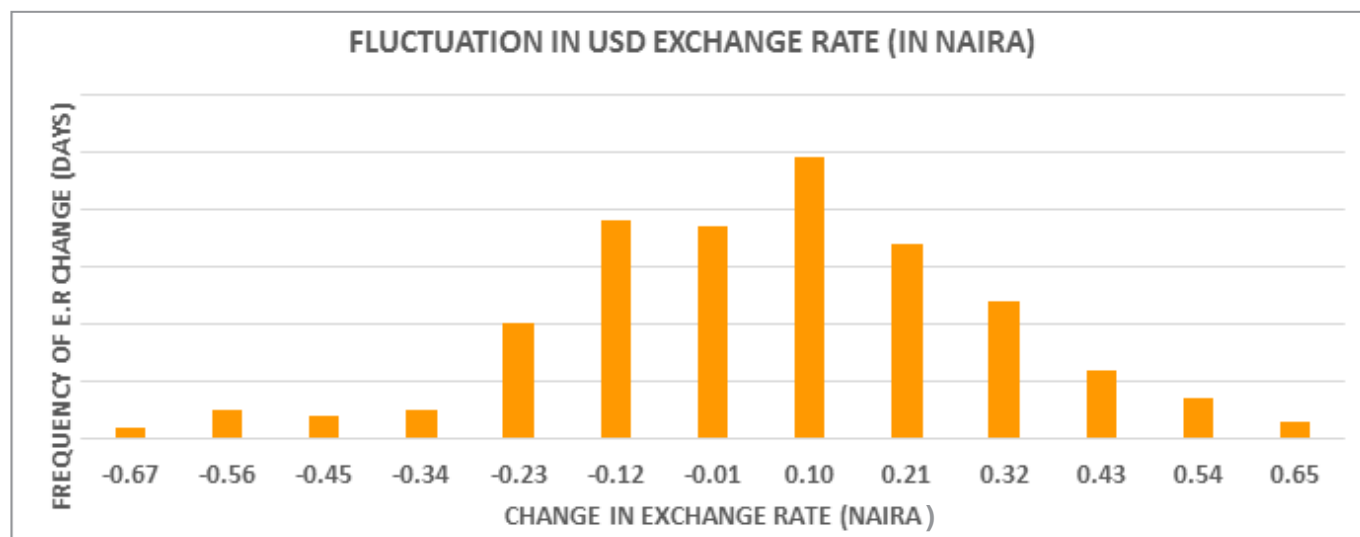
(viii) Exposure to foreign currency risk

The Group operates internationally and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures primarily with respect to the US dollar, UK pound and Euro. Foreign exchange risk represents exposures to changes in the values of current holdings and future cash flows denominated in other currencies. The types of instruments exposed to this risk include investments in foreign subsidiaries, foreign currency-denominated loans and securities, future cash flows in foreign currencies arising from foreign exchange transactions, foreign currency denominated debt amongst others. The value of these instruments fluctuate with changes in the level or volatility of currency exchange rates or foreign interest rates. The Group deploys foreign derivative instruments whose values hedges currency debts to foreign currency loans and advances to eliminate exchange exposures on such borrowings.

Foreign exchange profit or loss (Dollars)

The Group carried out the following in determining sensitivity of the Group's profit to fluctuations in exchange rate of dollars:

- Daily dollar exchange rates were obtained for one year and trended
- A reasonably possible change of (0.67)/0.65 (Dec 2018: (0.3)/0.3) was determined based on the distribution of one-year daily change in exchange rates. The graph below indicates that large proportion of changes in price falls in the range of (0.67)/0.65 (Dec 2018: (0.3)/0.3)
- The chosen reasonable change in exchange rates was then applied to the bank's dollar position at the end of the year.



At 31 December 2019, if the Naira had strengthened/weakened by -0.67/0.65 Naira against the Dollar with all other variables held constant, the pre-tax and post-tax profit for the year would have increased/(decreased) as set out in the table below mainly as a result of foreign exchange gains or losses on the translation

Group

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(724,147)	(618,422)	(313,697)	(268,744)
Increase	702,531	599,962	313,697	268,744

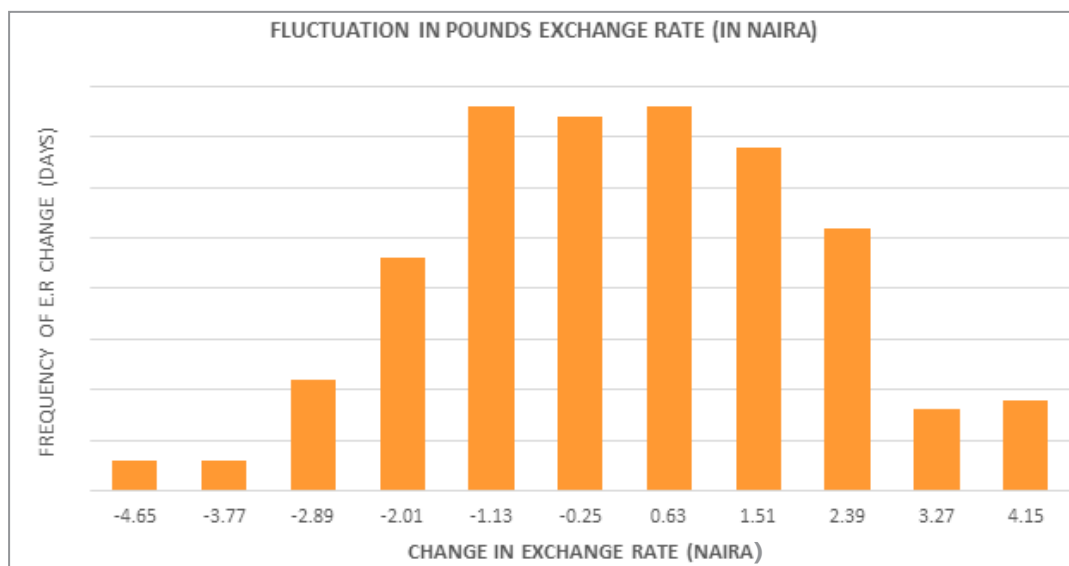
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	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(721,029)	(632,415)	(311,084)	(273,100)
Increase	699,506	613,537	311,084	273,100

Foreign exchange profit or loss (Pounds)

The Group carried out the following in determining sensitivity of the Group's profit to fluctuations in exchange rate of pounds:

- Daily pound exchange rates were obtained and trended
- A reasonably possible change of (4.65)/4.15 (Dec 2018: (10.73)/9.15) was determined based on the distribution of one-year daily change in exchange rates. The graph below indicates that large proportion of changes in price falls in the range of (4.65)/4.15 (Dec 2018: (10.73)/9.15)
- The chosen reasonable change in exchange rates was then applied to the bank's position as at end of the year.



At 31 December 2019, if the Naira had weakened/strengthened by (4.65)/4.15 Naira against the Pounds with all other variables held constant, the pre-tax and post-tax profit for the year would have increased/(decreased) as set out in the table below mainly as a result of foreign exchange gains or losses on the translation.

Group

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(52,416)	(44,763)	(103,695)	(88,636)
Increase	46,780	39,950	121,601	104,176

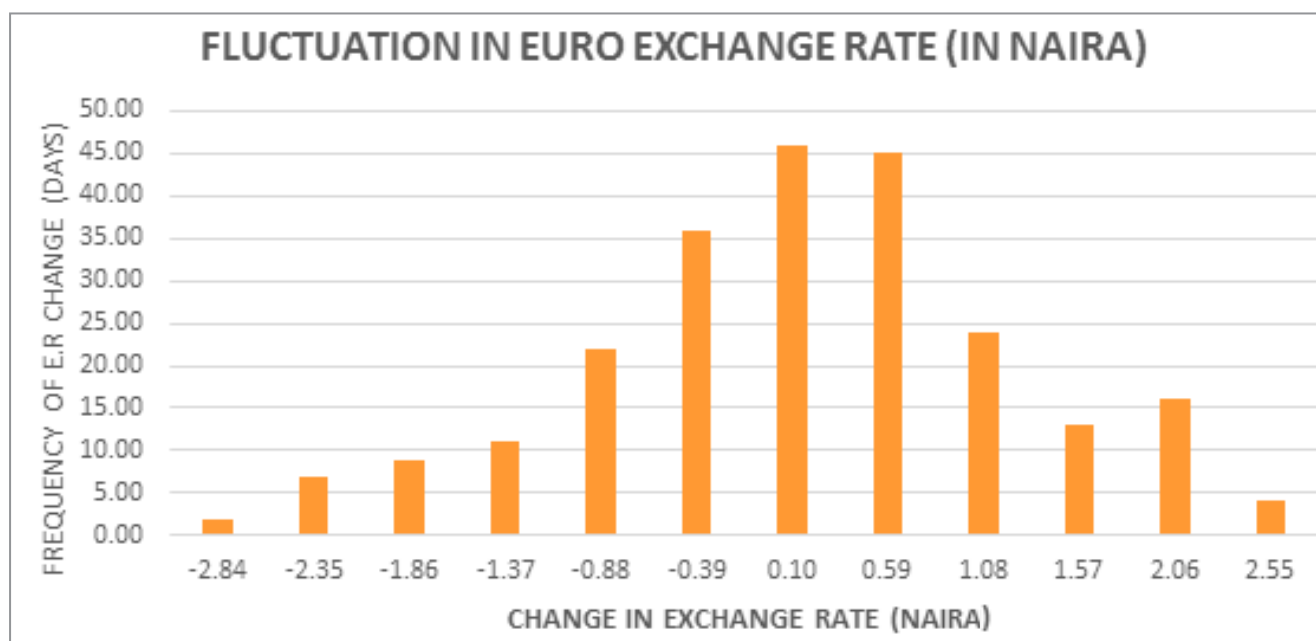
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	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(56,872)	(49,882)	(109,345)	(95,994)
Increase	(50,757)	44,519	128,227	112,570

Foreign exchange profit or loss (Euros)

The Group carried out the following in determining sensitivity of the Group's profit to fluctuations in exchange rate of Euro:

- Daily Euro exchange rates were obtained and trended
- A reasonably possible change of (2.84)/2.55 (Dec 2018: (6.66)/7.11) was determined based on the distribution of one year daily change in exchange rates. The graph below indicates that large proportion of changes in price falls in the range of (2.84)/2.55 (Dec 2018: (6.66)/7.11).
- The chosen reasonable change in exchange rates was then applied to the bank's euro position as at end of the year.



At 31 December 2019, if the Naira had weakened/strengthened by (2.84)/2.55 Naira against the Euro with all other variables held constant, the pre-tax and post-tax profit for the year would have increased/(decreased) as set out in the table below mainly as a result of foreign exchange gains or losses on the translation.

Group

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(13,262)	(11,326)	11,601	9,938
Increase	11,908	10,169	(10,866)	(9,309)

Parent

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(10,864)	(9,529)	17,997	15,799
Increase	9,755	8,556	(16,858)	(14,799)

Foreign Exchange Profit or Loss (Other Currencies)

At 31 December 2019, if Naira had weakened/strengthened by (0.67)/0.65 (Dec 2018: (0.3)/0.3) against the other currencies with all other variables held constant the pre-tax and post-tax profit for the year, the impact of possible fluctuations in exchange rates on the overall foreign exchange revaluation profit of the bank is as shown below:

Group

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(10,918)	(9,324)	(10,907)	(9,344)
Increase	9,834	8,398	11,651	9,981

Parent

	Dec-19	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Pre-tax	Post-tax	Pre-tax	Post-tax
Decrease	(5,052)	(4,431)	(9,993)	(8,772)
Increase	4,550	3,991	10,674	9,371

(ix) Sensitivity analysis of derivative valuation

The fair value of foreign exchange contracts varies largely due to changes in foreign currency exchange rates. For the purpose of assessing specific risks, the Group carried out a sensitivity analysis to determine the effects that market risk exposures may have on the fair value of the Group's derivative financial instruments and results of operations. To perform the sensitivity analysis, daily U.S. Dollar exchange rates were obtained from the Nigeria Interbank Foreign Exchange (NIFEX) and trended with all other variables kept constant. A proportional foreign exchange rate movement of $\pm\text{N}0.5$ (Dec 2018: $\pm\text{N}0.5$) depreciation of the Nigerian Naira and $\pm\text{N}0.5$ (Dec 2018: $\pm\text{N}0.5$) appreciation of the Nigerian Naira against the U.S. Dollar have been considered to be reasonably possible based on the distribution of one year daily change in exchange rates of the U.S. Dollar.

The following table summarizes our derivatives financial instruments as at 31 December, 2019 and analyzes the sensitivity of their fair values to an immediate change in foreign currency rates. Fair values represent the present value of forecasted future cash flows at market foreign currency exchange rates. A favourable change indicates a weakening of the Nigerian Naira against the U.S. Dollar and an unfavourable change indicates a strengthening of the Nigerian Naira against the U.S. Dollar.

The selection of $\pm\text{N}0.5$ (Dec 2018: $\pm\text{N}0.5$) favourable or unfavourable change in foreign currency exchange rates should not be construed as a prediction by the Group of future market events, but rather, to illustrate the potential impact of such an event. The modeling technique used to calculate the exposure does not take into account correlation among foreign currency exchange rates, or correlation among various markets such as the foreign exchange, equity and fixed-income markets. Actual experience may differ from the results in the table below due to the correlation assumptions utilized, or if events occur that were not included in the methodology, such as significant liquidity or market events.

The net impact of sensitivity for both favorable and unfavorable exchange rate of $\pm\text{N}0.5$ will be $\text{N}209,250,749.82$ and $(\text{N}209,250,749.82)$ respectively.

Group Dec-19 Total derivatives

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notional Contract Amount	Fair Value	Asset/ (Liability)	Favourable changes (Pre-tax)	Unfavourable changes (Pre-tax)	Favourable changes (Post-tax)	Unfavourable changes (Post-tax)
				Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement
Derivative Assets	188,589,544	26,011,823	Asset	249,769	(249,769)	213,303	(213,303)
Derivative Liabilities	29,758,011	(2,315,541)	Liability	40,519	(40,519)	34,603	(34,603)

Dec-18 Total derivatives

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notional Contract Amount	Fair Value	Asset/ (Liability)	Favourable changes (Pre-tax)	Unfavourable changes (Pre-tax)	Favourable changes (Post-tax)	Unfavourable changes (Post-tax)
				Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement
Derivative Assets	56,100,332	3,854,921	Asset	76,873	(76,873)	65,857	(65,857)
Derivative Liabilities	56,100,332	(3,752,666)	Liability	76,491	(76,491)	65,530	(65,530)

Please refer to Note 25 for components of the Derivative assets/liabilities.

Parent

Dec-19

Total derivatives

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notional Contract Amount	Fair Value	Asset/ (Liability)	Favourable changes (Pre-tax)	Unfavourable changes (Pre-tax)	Favourable changes (Post-tax)	Unfavourable changes (Post-tax)
				Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement
Derivative Assets	188,589,544	26,011,823	Asset	249,769	(249,769)	219,073	(219,073)
Derivative Liabilities	29,758,011	(2,315,541)	Liability	40,519	(40,519)	35,539	(35,539)

Dec-18

Total derivatives

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notional Contract Amount	Fair Value	Asset/ (Liability)	Favourable changes (Pre-tax)	Unfavourable changes (Pre-tax)	Favourable changes (Post-tax)	Unfavourable changes (Post-tax)
				Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement	Income Statement
Derivative Assets	56,100,332	3,854,921	Asset	76,873	(76,873)	67,487	(67,487)
Derivative Liabilities	56,100,332	(3,752,666)	Liability	76,491	(76,491)	67,152	(67,152)

Please refer to Note 25 for components of the Derivative assets/liabilities.

(x) Sensitivity analysis on ECL Model

The following are the most significant assumption affecting the ECL allowance:

Corporate Portfolios

- I. Crude Oil Prices, given the significant impact on the performance of companies in the oil and gas sector.
- II. Exchange rate, given the significant impact on companies' ability to meet contractual payments denominated in foreign currency.
- III. Inflation, given its significant impact on collateral valuations.
- IV. GDP, given its impact on companies' performance and collateral valuations.
- V. Interest rate, given its impact on the ability of companies to meet contractual cashflows on both local and foreign currency denominated obligations.

Retail Portfolios

- I. Unemployment, given the impact it has on individual borrowers' ability to meet contractual payment.
- II. Inflation, given its significant impact on purchasing power of individual borrowers and ultimately, the capacity to repay obligations.

- III. Interest rate, given its impact on the ability of individual borrowers to meet contractual cashflows on both local and foreign currency denominated obligations.

In sensitising the variables above to determine their impact on Expected Credit Losses (ECL), the Group adjusted its Forward-Looking Information forecast as follows

- 1% Increase / Decrease in GDP growth rate over forecasted GDP growth rate
- 2% Decrease / Increase in inflation rate over Inflation rate forecast
- 1% Decrease / Increase in interest rate over Interest rate forecast
- Decrease / Increase in USD/NGN exchange rate by N5 over forecasted exchange rate
- Increase / Decrease in Crude Oil Price by \$5pbl over forecasted Crude Oil Price

Set out below are the changes to the ECL that would result from the possible changes in these parameters from the actual assumptions used in the Group's economic variables assumption.

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Group Dec-19

In thousands of naira	Improvement		Worsening	
	Pre-Tax	Post Tax	Pre-Tax	Post Tax
COMMERCIAL	(1,667,313)	(1,167,119)	409,260	286,482
CORPORATE	(2,013,504)	(1,409,453)	4,455,107	3,118,575
PUBLIC SECTOR	(91,547)	(64,083)	1,162,334	813,634
RETAIL	(383,446)	(268,412)	327,622	229,335
SME	(32,763)	(22,934)	25,947	18,163
	(4,188,573)	(2,932,001)	6,380,270	4,466,189

Parent Dec 2019

In thousands of naira	Improvement		Worsening	
	Pre-Tax	Post Tax	Pre-Tax	Post Tax
COMMERCIAL	(1,560,274)	(1,092,192)	382,986	268,090
CORPORATE	(1,819,370)	(1,273,559)	4,025,563	2,817,894
PUBLIC SECTOR	(90,278)	(63,195)	1,146,231	802,361
RETAIL	(322,857)	(226,000)	275,854	193,098
SME	(29,336)	(20,535)	23,233	16,263
	(3,822,115)	(2,675,481)	5,853,867	4,097,707

Group Dec-18

In thousands of naira	Improvement		Worsening	
	Pre-Tax	Post Tax	Pre-Tax	Post Tax
COMMERCIAL	(82,060)	(57,442)	95,995	67,197
CORPORATE	(3,267,880)	(2,287,516)	3,957,816	2,770,471
PUBLIC SECTOR	(81,064)	(56,745)	99,138	69,397
RETAIL	(121,376)	(84,963)	46,119	32,284
SME	(49,144)	(34,401)	31,873	22,311
	(3,601,524)	(2,521,067)	4,230,941	2,961,660

Parent Dec 2018

In thousands of naira	Improvement		Worsening	
	Pre-Tax	Post Tax	Pre-Tax	Post Tax
COMMERCIAL	(80,294)	(56,206)	93,929	65,750
CORPORATE	(3,106,350)	(2,174,445)	3,762,182	2,633,528
PUBLIC SECTOR	(80,501)	(56,350)	98,449	68,914
RETAIL	(111,375)	(77,962)	14,676	10,273
SME	(46,503)	(32,552)	32,249	22,575
	(3,425,023)	(2,397,515)	4,001,485	2,801,040

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The table below summaries the Group's financial instruments at carrying amount, categorised by currency:

Group

Dec-2019

Financial instruments by currency

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Total	Naira	USD	GBP	Euro	Others
Cash and bank balances	23	593,551,117	88,173,156	371,955,025	53,303,748	30,160,906	49,958,282
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	73,486,101	44,717,688	-	-	-	28,768,413
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	-	26,011,823	-	-	-
Investment securities:							
– Fair value through profit or loss	26	29,834,367	-	29,834,367	-	-	-
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	26	584,197,391	494,546,405	26,663,932	8,601,440	-	54,385,614
– Held at amortised cost	26	145,561,232	2,003,583	6,499,818	-	-	137,057,831
Assets pledged as collateral	27	58,036,855	57,790,749	-	-	-	246,106
Loans and advances to banks	28	1,513,310	71,735	364,355	-	-	1,077,220
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,500,572,047	507,570,994	843,584,781	30,467,481	1,956,103	116,992,688
Restricted deposits and other assets ¹	34	518,275,514	489,135,624	17,397,067	15,338	3,381,304	8,346,181
		3,531,039,757	1,684,009,934	1,322,311,168	92,388,007	35,498,313	396,832,335
Deposits from banks	35	107,518,398	15,200	76,565,896	8,438,293	5,861,038	16,637,971
Deposits from customers	36	2,532,540,384	1,539,297,430	656,145,050	61,558,226	19,909,375	255,630,303
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	1,615,735	-	-	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	2,315,541	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities ²	38	226,621,182	176,540,798	31,932,062	1,321,368	3,515,903	13,311,051
Other borrowed funds	40	162,999,909	110,485,069	52,514,840	-	-	-
		3,033,611,149	1,830,269,773	817,157,848	71,317,887	29,286,316	285,579,325
Financial Instrument Gap		497,428,608	(146,259,839)	505,153,320	21,070,120	6,211,997	111,253,010

¹ Excludes prepayments

² Excludes Deferred Income and impact of non-monetary items in Non-Financial Instruments (NFI)

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Financial instruments by currency

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Total	Naira	USD	GBP	Euro	Others
Cash and bank balances	23	676,989,012	51,716,658	494,843,985	44,928,007	30,337,650	55,162,712
Financial assets held for trading	24	11,314,814	8,920,153	-	-	-	2,394,661
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	2,900	3,852,021	-	-	-
Investment securities:							
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	26	534,994,359	451,167,653	33,450,053	8,205,169	-	42,171,484
– Held at amortised cost	26	98,619,509	2,003,274	5,737,932	-	-	90,878,303
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,777,170	56,291,739	-	-	-	485,431
Loans and advances to banks	28	2,994,642	46,068	1,604,829	-	-	1,343,745
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,259,010,359	442,965,853	672,749,790	35,341,450	326,375	107,626,891
Restricted deposits and other assets ¹	34	484,262,706	444,928,987	33,823,609	1,601,689	2,062,746	1,845,675
		3,128,817,492	1,458,043,285	1,246,062,219	90,076,315	32,726,771	301,908,902
Deposits from banks	35	82,803,047	735,929	66,365,949	8,782,657	6,819,103	99,409
Deposits from customers	36	2,273,903,143	1,360,358,539	608,590,333	57,584,910	17,444,527	229,924,834
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	1,865,419	-	-	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	-	-	-	-	3,752,666
Other liabilities ²	38	133,114,496	107,378,316	15,211,384	1,480,039	2,140,312	6,904,445
Other borrowed funds	40	178,566,800	105,867,988	72,698,812	-	-	-
		2,674,005,571	1,576,206,191	762,866,478	67,847,606	26,403,942	240,681,354
Financial Instrument Gap		454,811,921	(118,162,906)	483,195,741	22,228,709	6,322,829	61,227,548

¹ Excludes prepayments

² Excludes Deferred Income and impact of non-monetary items in Non-Financial Instruments (NFI)

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Financial instruments by currency

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Total	Naira	USD	GBP	Euro	Others
Cash and bank balances	23	396,915,777	87,932,568	265,986,561	27,411,396	14,874,552	710,700
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	44,717,688	44,717,688	-	-	-	-
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	-	26,011,823	-	-	-
Investment securities:							
– Fair value through profit or loss	26	29,834,367	-	29,834,367	-	-	-
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	26	494,546,405	494,546,405	-	-	-	-
– Held at amortised cost	26	2,003,583	2,003,583	-	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	27	57,790,749	57,790,749	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	72,451	71,735	716	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,300,820,648	507,570,994	793,176,200	12	73,442	-
Restricted deposits and other assets ¹	34	507,981,561	489,135,624	15,421,125	15,338	3,366,295	43,179
		2,860,695,052	1,683,769,346	1,130,430,792	27,426,746	18,314,289	753,879
Deposits from banks	35	15,200	15,200	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	2,086,810,070	1,539,297,430	512,505,507	21,497,728	13,508,401	1,004
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	24	1,615,735	1,615,735	-	-	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	2,315,541	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities ²	38	199,536,392	165,467,836	30,553,107	75,463	3,393,259	46,727
Other borrowed funds	40	162,742,565	110,485,069	52,257,496	-	-	-
		2,453,035,503	1,819,196,811	595,316,110	21,573,191	16,901,660	47,731
Financial Instrument Gap		407,659,549	(135,427,465)	535,114,682	5,853,555	1,412,629	706,148

¹ Excludes prepayments

² Excludes Deferred Income and impact of non-monetary items in Non-Financial Instruments (NFI)

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Financial instruments by currency

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Total	Naira	USD	GBP	Euro	Others
Cash and bank balances	23	457,497,929	51,520,797	366,176,874	24,206,618	15,116,241	477,399
Financial assets held for trading	24	8,920,153	8,920,153	-	-	-	-
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	2,900	3,852,021	-	-	-
Investment securities:							
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	26	458,548,043	451,167,653	7,380,390	-	-	-
– Held at amortised cost	26	2,003,272	2,003,272	-	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,291,739	56,291,739	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to banks	28	46,074	46,068	6	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	29	1,067,999,019	442,965,853	624,978,111	4	55,051	-
Restricted deposits and other assets ¹	34	482,822,956	444,928,987	33,823,609	1,601,689	2,062,746	405,925
		2,537,984,106	1,457,847,422	1,036,211,011	25,808,311	17,234,038	883,324
Deposits from banks	35	735,929	735,929	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	36	1,865,816,172	1,360,358,539	475,322,797	18,686,025	11,448,811	-
Financial liabilities held for trading	36	1,865,419	1,865,419	-	-	-	-
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	-	-	-	-	3,752,666
Other liabilities ²	38	112,975,988	97,566,457	12,770,704	121,238	2,108,514	409,075
Other borrowed funds	40	177,361,218	105,867,988	71,493,230	-	-	-
		2,162,507,392	1,566,394,332	559,586,731	18,807,263	13,557,325	4,161,741
Financial Instrument Gap		375,476,714	(108,546,910)	476,624,280	7,001,048	3,676,713	(3,278,417)

¹ Excludes prepayments

² Excludes Deferred Income and impact of non-monetary items in Non-Financial Instruments (NFI)

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5. Capital management and other risks

(a) Regulatory capital

The Bank's lead regulator, the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), sets and monitors capital requirements for the Bank. The parent company and individual banking operations are directly supervised by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and the respective regulatory authorities in the countries in which the subsidiary banking operations are domiciled.

The Bank's Capital Adequacy Ratio have been computed in line with the CBN's guidance on Regulatory capital, Credit risk, Market risk and Operational risk under the Basel II Framework. With effect from July 1, 2017, the CBN requires that banks designated as Domestic Systemically Important Banks (D-SIBs) maintain additional Higher Loss Absorbency (HLA) of 1% in respect of their capital, which will require that D-SIBs maintain a minimum capital adequacy ratio of 16%.

(b) Capital Adequacy Position in line with Basel II Accord

The International Convergence of Capital Measurement and Capital Standards: a Revised Framework, popularly known as the Basel II Framework was introduced in 2004 as a new set of international standards and best practices that define the minimum capital requirements for internationally active banks. The Basel II framework stipulates a minimum level of capital that banks must maintain to ensure that they can meet their obligations, cover unexpected losses; and can, very importantly, promote public confidence.

Basel II is a three-pronged approach relying on three Pillars -Minimum Capital Requirements (Pillar 1), Supervisory Review Process (Pillar 2) and Market Discipline (Pillar 3).

Pillar 1 Minimum Capital Requirements: It prescribes the capital allocation methodology against the core traditional credit, market and operational risks to ensure these are adequately measured and that banks have adequate capital to mitigate these risks.

Pillar 2 Supervisory Review: It requires banks to establish a risk management framework to identify, assess and manage major risks inherent in the institution and allocate adequate capital against those risks. It emphasizes that supervisors should be able to evaluate the soundness of these assessments.

Pillar 3 Market Discipline: It sets out to encourage market discipline by requiring a number of disclosure requirements in respect of a bank's risk exposures, risk assessment process and capital adequacy.

The CBN specifies approaches for quantifying the risk weighted assets for credit, market and operational risk for the purpose of determining regulatory capital. Although the computations are consistent with the requirements of Pillar 1 Basel II Accord, certain sections have been adjusted to reflect the peculiarities of the Nigerian environment. In compliance with CBN, the Bank

adopted the Standardized Approach (SA) in determining capital charge for Credit Risk and Market Risk while capital charge for Operational Risk was determined using the Basic Indicator Approach (BIA).

Pillar 1 focuses mainly on CAR, also known as Capital to Risk (Weighted) Assets Ratio (CRAR). This is the ratio of a bank's capital to its risk. CBN requires the minimum requirement of 10% or 15% of Capital to risk weighted assets be maintained by Nigerian banks or banking groups with regional/national license and international banking license respectively.

CAR is measured as:

$$\frac{\text{Total Capital}}{\text{(Credit Risk Weighted Assets + Market Risk Weighted Assets + Operational Risk Weighted Assets)}}$$

The Bank's regulatory capital is analysed into two tiers:

Tier 1 capital includes ordinary share capital, share premium, retained earnings, statutory reserves, and other reserves excluding regulatory reserves. Intangible assets and investments in subsidiaries were also deducted from Tier I capital for capital adequacy purposes.

Tier 2 capital comprises Fair Value Reserves.

The Bank and its individually regulated operations have complied with all externally imposed capital requirements throughout the year. There have been no material changes in the Bank's management of capital during the year.

Year under review

A fundamental part of the Bank's overall business strategy is its sound capital management practices. It adopts a capital planning process that ensures that regulatory capital remains within approved ranges or above target levels across economic and business cycles. The Bank is appropriately capitalized under normal and severe scenarios as well as a range of stress events.

Stress-testing models are used to gauge vulnerability of the bank to exceptional yet possible events. The result of stress-testing reveals the minimum capital requirements of the bank in the event that unforeseen negative events crystallize. The critical objective underpinning the stress-testing exercise is to identify as early as possible, any shortfall in capital requirements of the Bank and take corrective actions which may be direct or indirect.

The Bank throughout the review period, operated above its targeted capitalization range and well over the CBN-mandated regulatory minimum of 16% for Domestic Systemically Important. As at December 31 2019, the Bank's capital adequacy ratio was 20.66% (December 31, 2018- 20.93%). Group capital stood at 22.51% (December 2018 – 23.39%).

The following table shows the composition of regulatory capital and risk weighted assets for the Bank:

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Capital adequacy ratio

	Group				Bank			
	Transitional Arrangement Impact		Full Impact		Transitional Arrangement Impact		Full Impact	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
Tier 1 capital								
Share capital	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590
Share premium	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114
Retained profits	136,247,653	106,539,050	136,247,653	106,539,050	95,110,906	79,668,689	95,110,906	79,668,689
Statutory Reserve	318,116,976	283,918,329	318,116,976	283,918,329	298,877,835	272,609,043	298,877,835	272,609,043
SMEEIS and AGSMEIS Reserves	27,003,016	18,638,665	27,003,016	18,638,665	26,984,540	18,638,552	26,984,540	18,638,552
IFRS 9 Transitional Adjustment	34,555,266	51,832,899	-	(65,490,719)	33,359,963	-	(65,490,719)	(65,490,719)
RRR applied for IFRS 9 Impact	-	-	-	13,730,024	-	-	-	-
Non-Controlling Interest	13,730,024	12,433,461	-	12,433,461	-	-	-	-
Tier 1 Sub-Total	667,839,639	611,549,108	567,793,654	494,225,490	592,519,948	559,142,932	493,669,266	443,612,269
Less Regulatory deductions:								
Other intangible assets	(11,560,876)	(7,719,684)	(11,560,876)	(7,719,684)	(9,546,253)	(5,635,606)	(9,546,253)	(5,635,606)
Goodwill	(8,684,356)	(8,684,937)	(8,684,356)	(8,682,937)	-	-	-	-
Deferred Tax	(2,256,570)	(2,169,819)	(2,256,570)	(2,169,819)	-	-	-	-
Treasury Shares	(6,531,749)	(5,583,635)	(6,531,749)	(5,583,635)	-	-	-	-
100% of investments in unconsolidated Banking and financial subsidiary/associate companies	-	-	-	-	(55,814,032)	(55,814,032)	(55,814,032)	(55,814,032)
Unsecured Lending to subsidiaries within the same Group	-	-	-	-	(11,068,788)	(10,939,497)	(11,068,788)	(10,939,497)
Net Total Tier 1 Capital (A)	638,806,088	587,393,033	538,760,103	470,069,415	516,090,875	486,753,797	417,240,193	371,223,134
Tier 2 capital								
Foreign Exchange Adjustments	13,410,450	18,267,911	13,410,450	18,267,911	-	-	-	-
Fair Value Reserves	1,979,715	(1,262,254)	1,979,715	(1,262,254)	1,411,977	(1,622,642)	1,411,977	(1,622,642)
Net Total Tier 2 Capital (B)	15,390,165	17,005,657	15,390,165	17,005,657	1,411,977	(1,622,642)	1,411,977	(1,622,642)
Total Qualifying Capital (C= A+B)	654,196,253	604,398,690	554,150,268	487,075,072	517,502,852	485,131,155	418,652,170	369,600,492
Composition Of Risk-Weighted Assets								
Credit Risk	1,979,577,948	1,625,280,021	1,914,087,229	1,559,789,302	1,631,274,034	1,393,082,592	1,565,783,315	1,327,591,873
Operational Risk	539,463,656	487,938,118	539,463,656	487,938,118	454,635,285	423,792,503	454,625,285	423,792,503
Market Risk	8,522,112	34,326,532	8,522,112	34,326,532	5,993,961	14,559,721	5,993,961	14,559,721
Aggregate	2,527,563,716	2,147,544,672	2,462,072,997	2,082,053,953	2,091,893,281	1,831,434,816	2,026,402,562	1,765,944,097
Total Risk-Weighted Capital Ratio	25.88%	28.14%	22.51%	23.39%	24.74%	26.49%	20.66%	20.93%
Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital Ratio	25.27%	27.35%	21.88%	22.58%	24.67%	26.58%	20.59%	21.02%

TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS TREATMENT OF IFRS 9 EXPECTED CREDIT LOSS FOR REGULATORY PURPOSES BY BANKS IN NIGERIA

The Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) issued a circular to provide guidance on the treatment of ECL provisions for regulatory purpose and introduced a four-year transitional arrangement to cushion the effect on tier 1 regulatory capital. The summary of the guidance is as follows:

1) Utilisation of Regulatory Risk Reserve (RRR) to cushion the impact of IFRS 9 ECL Provisions on Transition Date

In order to cushion the impact of IFRS 9 on regulatory capital banks are required, in the first instance, to apply the balance in their RRR to reduce the additional ECL provisions to be recognized in the opening retained earnings on January 1, 2018. The amount to be deducted from RRR shall be limited to the excess of ECL provisions over the IAS 39 provisions on the transition date. Accordingly, banks are required to effect appropriate accounting entries to reflect the transfer from RRR to the retained earnings.

2) Transitional Arrangement of the ECL Accounting Provisions for Regulatory Capital Purpose

Where the additional IFRS 9 ECL provision as stated in (1) above is higher than the balance in RRR, Banks are required to amortise the excess in line with the transitional arrangements provided by CBN. For the purpose of the transitional arrangement, the excess of the ECL provisions over IAS 39 provisions adjusted for the RRR is termed "Adjusted Day One Impact", using the Static Approach. This approach requires banks to hold static the Adjusted Day One Impact and amortise on a straight-line basis over the four-year transition period by writing back to the Tier 1 capital as indicated in the table below:

Period	Provisions to be written back
Year 0 (January 1, 2018)	4/5 of Adjusted Day One Impact
Year 1 (December 31, 2018)	3/5 of Adjusted Day One Impact
Year 2 (December 31, 2019)	2/5 of Adjusted Day One Impact
Year 3 (December 31, 2020)	1/5 of Adjusted Day One Impact
Year 4 (December 31, 2021)	Nil

Where the RRR fully absorbs the additional ECL provision, this transitional arrangement shall not apply. The outcome of the application of the CBN guidance on the treatment of IFRS 9 ECL provisions is as presented in the capital adequacy computation on page 207.

(c) Capital allocation

The allocation of capital between specific operations and activities is, to a large extent, driven by optimization of the return achieved on the capital allocated. The amount of capital allocated to each operation or activity is based primarily upon the regulatory capital, but in some cases, the regulatory requirements do not reflect fully the varying degree of risk associated with different activities. In such cases, the capital requirements may be flexed to reflect differing risk profiles, subject to the overall

level of capital to support a particular operation or activity not falling below the minimum required for regulatory purposes. The process of allocating capital to specific operations and activities is undertaken independently of those responsible for the operation, by the Group Enterprise Risk Management Division, and is subject to review by the Group Credit Committee or ALMAC as appropriate.

Although maximisation of the return on risk-adjusted capital is the principal basis used in determining how capital is allocated within the Group to particular operations or activities, it is not the sole basis used for decision making. Consideration is also given to synergies with other operations and activities, the availability of management and other resources, and the fit of the activity with the Group's longer term strategic objectives. The Group's policies in respect of capital management and allocation are reviewed regularly by the Board of Directors.

6. Use of estimates and judgments

These disclosures supplement the commentary on financial risk management (see note 4).

(a) Key sources of estimation uncertainty Measurement of the expected credit losses

The measurement of impairment losses under IFRS 9 across all categories of financial assets requires judgement, in particular, in the application of forward-looking information, the estimation of the amount and timing of future cash flows and collateral values when determining impairment losses and the assessment of a significant increase in credit risk. These estimates are driven by a number of factors, changes in which can result in different levels of allowances.

The measurement of the expected credit loss allowance for financial assets measured at amortised cost and FVOCI is as described in accounting policy 3b (j)(v).

Determining fair values

The determination of fair value for financial assets and liabilities for which there is no observable market price requires the use of valuation techniques as described in accounting policy 3b (j) (vii). For financial instruments that trade infrequently and have little price transparency, fair value is less objective, and requires varying degrees of judgement depending on liquidity, concentration, uncertainty of market factors, pricing assumptions and other risks affecting the specific instrument.

(b) Critical accounting judgements in applying the Group's accounting policies

Critical accounting judgements made in applying the Group's accounting policies include:

Financial asset and liability classification

The Group's accounting policies provide scope for assets and liabilities to be designated on inception into different accounting

categories in certain circumstances:

1. In classifying financial assets as measured at amortised cost, the Group has determined that it meets the description of financial assets set out in accounting policy 3b(j)(ii)(a).
2. In designating financial assets as measured at FVOCI, the Group has determined that it has met the criteria for this designation set out in accounting policy 3b(j)(ii)(b).
3. In classifying financial assets as measured at FVTPL, the Group has determined that it meets the description of financial assets set out in accounting policy 3b(j)(ii)(c).
4. In accounting for financial liabilities as FVTPL, the Group has determined that it meets the description of financial liabilities set out in accounting policy 3b(j)(ii)(e).
5. In carrying financial liabilities at amortised cost, the Group has determined that it meets the description of financial liabilities set out in accounting policy 3b(j)(ii)(f).

Depreciation and carrying value of property and equipment

The estimation of the useful lives of assets is based on management's judgement. Any material adjustment to the estimated useful lives of items of property and equipment will have an impact on the carrying value of these items.

Determination of impairment of property and equipment, and intangible assets

Management is required to make judgements concerning the cause, timing and amount of impairment. In the identification of impairment indicators, management considers the impact of changes in current competitive conditions, cost of capital, availability of funding, technological obsolescence, discontinuance of services and other circumstances that could indicate that impairment exists. The Group applies the impairment assessment to its separate cash generating units. This requires management to make significant judgements and estimates concerning the existence of impairment indicators, separate cash generating units, remaining useful lives of assets, projected cash flows and net realisable values. Management's judgement is also required when assessing whether a previously recognised impairment loss should be reversed.

Translation of FX position during the period: This is referenced to Nigeria Interbank Foreign Exchange (NIFEX) rate quoted on FMDQ.

Defined benefits plan

The present value of the retirement benefit obligations depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a number of assumptions. Any changes in these assumptions will impact the carrying amount of pension obligations.

The assumptions used in determining the net cost (income) for pensions include the discount rate. The Group determines the appropriate discount rate at the end of each year. This is the interest rate that should be used to determine the present value of estimated future cash outflows expected to be required to settle the pension obligations.

In determining the appropriate discount rate, the Group considers the market yields on Government Bonds of medium duration as compiled by the Debt Management Organisation that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid and that have terms to maturity approximating the terms of the related pension liability. Other key assumptions for pension obligations are based in part on current market conditions.

Impairment of Goodwill

The Group tests annually whether goodwill has suffered any impairment in accordance with the accounting policy in note 3(q). The recoverable amounts of cash generating units have been determined based on value in use calculations. These calculations require the use of estimates. Goodwill and Goodwill Impairment testing are shown in note 32(c) below.

Valuation of equity financial instruments

The Group's accounting policy on fair value measurements is discussed under note 3b(j)(iib).

The Group measures fair values using the following hierarchy of methods.

Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs. This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

Level 3: This includes financial instruments, the valuation of which incorporate significant inputs for the asset or liability that is not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). Unobservable inputs are those not readily available in an active market due to market illiquidity or complexity of the product. These inputs are generally determined based on inputs of a similar nature, historic observations on the level of the input or analytical techniques.

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The table below analyses financial instruments measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised:

All fair values are on a recurring basis. The sensitivity of investments and derivatives to fluctuation in market prices and yields are disclosed in note 4(i) under market risk above.

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Assets	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:					
-Debt securities	24	73,486,101	-	-	73,486,101
Derivative financial assets	25	-	26,011,823	-	26,011,823
Investment securities:					
-Debt securities at FVOCI	26	584,197,391	-	-	584,197,391
-Equity securities at FVOCI	26	-	-	1,194,857	1,194,857
-Investment securities - FVPL Notes	26	-	29,834,367	-	29,834,367
-Equity securities FVTPL	26	-	-	3,250,000	3,250,000
Assets pledged as collateral	27	58,036,855	-	-	58,036,855
Total assets		715,720,347	55,846,190	4,444,857	776,011,394
Liabilities					
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	-	-	1,615,735
Derivative financial liabilities	25	-	2,315,541	-	2,315,541
Total liabilities		1,615,735	2,315,541	-	3,931,276

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Assets	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets held for trading:					
-Debt securities	24	11,314,814	-	-	11,314,814
Derivative financial assets	25	-	3,854,921	-	3,854,921
Investment securities:					
-Debt securities at FVOCI	26	527,613,969	7,380,390	-	534,994,359
-Equity securities at FVOCI	26	-	-	1,090,596	1,090,596
-Equity securities FVTPL	26	-	-	2,620,200	2,620,200
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,317,248	459,922	-	56,777,170
Total assets		595,246,031	11,695,233	3,710,796	610,652,060
Liabilities					
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	-	-	1,865,419
Derivative financial liabilities	25	-	3,752,666	-	3,752,666
Total liabilities		1,865,419	3,752,666	-	5,618,085

Parent

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Assets	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:					
-Debt securities	24	44,717,688	-	-	44,717,688
Derivative financial assets	25	-	26,011,823	-	26,011,823
Investment securities:					
-Debt securities at FVOCI	26	494,546,405	-	-	494,546,405
-Equity securities at FVOCI	26	-	-	1,185,527	1,185,527
-Investment securities - FVPL Notes	26	-	29,834,367	-	29,834,367
-Equity securities FVTPL	26	-	-	3,250,000	3,250,000
Assets pledged as collateral	27	57,790,749	-	-	57,790,749
Total assets		597,054,842	55,846,190	4,435,527	657,336,559
Liabilities					
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	-	-	1,615,735
Derivative financial liabilities	25	-	2,315,541	-	2,315,541
Total liabilities		1,615,735	2,315,541	-	3,931,276

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira

Assets	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets held for trading:					
-Debt securities	24	8,920,153	-	-	8,920,153
Derivative financial assets	25	-	3,854,921	-	3,854,921
Investment securities:					
-Debt securities at FVOCI	26	451,167,653	7,380,390	-	458,548,043
-Equity securities at FVOCI	26	-	-	1,081,216	1,081,216
-Equity securities FVTPL	26	-	-	2,620,200	2,620,200
Assets pledged as collateral	27	56,291,739	-	-	56,291,739
Total assets		516,379,545	11,235,311	3,701,416	531,316,272
Liabilities					
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	-	-	1,865,419
Derivative financial liabilities	25	-	3,752,666	-	3,752,666
Total liabilities		1,865,419	3,752,666	-	5,618,085

There were no transfers between levels or changes in valuation techniques during the year.

Reconciliation of Level 3 Items

-Investment Securities (unquoted equity securities)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening balance	3,710,796	3,011,648	3,701,416	3,011,648
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations	(50)	-	-	-
Derecognition via sales option	-	(2,001,773)	-	(2,001,773)
Recognition via purchase option	-	2,620,200	-	2,620,200
Total unrealised gains or (losses) in Profit and Loss	629,800	-	629,800	-
Total unrealised gains or (losses) in OCI	54,311	71,341	54,311	71,341
Additional investment during the period	50,000	-	50,000	-
Reclassification from unquoted equity at cost	-	9,380	-	-
	4,444,857	3,710,796	4,435,527	3,701,416

The unrealised gains in profit and loss is recognised under Other Income as part of mark to market gain on trading investments.

(e) Disclosure Requirement for Level 2 and 3 Financial Instruments

Valuation control framework

The key elements of the control framework for the valuation of financial instruments include model validation, product implementation review and independent price verification. These functions are carried out by an appropriately skilled finance team, independent of the business area responsible for the products. Model validation covers both qualitative and quantitative elements relating to new models. In respect of new products, model validation examines the explanatory power of the implemented model, actively monitoring model parameters and comparing in-house pricing to external sources.

Independent price verification procedures cover financial instruments carried at fair value. The frequency of the review is matched to the availability of independent data, monthly being the minimum. Valuation differences in breach of established thresholds are escalated to senior management. The results from independent pricing and valuation reserves are reviewed monthly by senior management.

Valuation technique and Input used in Level 2 Fair Value Measurement

Where there is limited trading activity in financial instruments, the Group uses valuation models, consensus pricing information from third party pricing services and quotes to determine an appropriate valuation.

Disclosure Requirements for Level 3 Financial Instruments

Valuation Technique:

The investment valuation policy (IVP) of the Group provides the framework for accounting for the Group's investment in unquoted equity securities while also providing a broad valuation guideline to be adopted in valuing them. Furthermore, the IVP details how the group decides its valuation policies and procedures and analyses changes in fair value measurements from period to period.

IFRS 13 - Fair Value Measurement outlines three approaches for valuing unquoted equity instruments; market approach, the income approach and the cost approach. The Group estimated the fair value of its investment in each of the unquoted equity securities at the end of the financial period using the income approach.

The Discounted Cash flow (DCF) technique of the income approach was adopted in valuing each of these equity investments taken into cognizance the suitability of the model to each equity investment and the available financial information.

Description of Valuation Methodology and inputs:

Discounted Cash flow Technique (DCF)

The fair value of the other unquoted equity securities were derived using the Discounted Cash Flow technique. The steps involved in estimating the fair value of the Group's investment in each of the investees (i.e. unquoted equity securities) are as follows:

Step 1: A five-year forecast of the Free Cash Flow to the Firm (FCFF) for each of the equity investments was made (see (a) below for the definition, explanation and derivation of FCFF).

Step 2: The yearly FCFF forecasts were discounted to present value using the company's WACC. (See (b) below for the definition, explanation and derivation of WACC).

Step 3: The terminal value at year five was estimated by dividing the compounded (with 'g') year five FCFF by the capitalization rate (please see (c) below).

Step 4: The terminal value was discounted to present value using the company's WACC.

Step 5: The firm value was obtained by adding the present value of the five-year FCFF obtained in step (2) above to the present value of terminal value obtained in step (4) above.

Step 6: The equity value of the firm was obtained by deducting the value of the debt of the company from the firm value obtained in step (5) above (i.e. Firm value minus market value of debt = Equity value).

Step 7: The equity value per share was obtained by dividing the Equity value obtained in step (6) above by the number of shares outstanding in the company.

Step 8: The fair value of the group's investment in each of the relevant unquoted equity securities was derived by multiplying the number of the Groups' shares in the investee by the value per share obtained in step (7) above.

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a. Free Cash flow to the Firm (FCFF):

A measure of financial performance that expresses the net amount of cash that is generated for the firm, consisting of expenses, taxes and changes in net working capital and investments. Free cash flow to the firm is the cash available to all investors, both equity and debt holders.

$$\text{FCFF} = \text{NI} + \text{NCC} + [\text{Int} \times (1 - \text{tax rate})] - \text{Changes in FCInv} - \text{Changes in WCInv}$$

Where:

NI = Net Income

NCC = Non- Cash Charges

Int = Interest

T = tax rate

FCI = Fixed Capital Investment

WCI = Working Capital Investment

b. Weighted average Cost of Capital (WACC):

This is the average cost of both equity and debt capital used in financing a business.

$$\text{WACC} = \left\{ \frac{D}{D+E} \times K_d(1-T) \right\} + \left\{ \frac{E}{D+E} \times K_e \right\}$$

Where:

D = Value of Debt

E = Equity value

K_e = Cost of equity

K_d = Cost of debt

T = Tax rate

c. Capitalization Rate= WACC – g

$$\text{Terminal value} = \frac{\text{FCFF}_5 \times (1+g)}{\text{WACC} - g}$$

Where:

FCFF = Year5 FCFF

g = Growth rate

WACC = Weighted average Cost of Capital

Valuation Assumptions – Discounted Cash flow

1. The bank applies Capital Asset Pricing Model in determining the cost of equities for its various unquoted equities which were fair valued at the reporting period.
2. The risk-free rate was determined using the yield on the 10-year Nigerian Government bond (for unquoted securities denominated in Naira) of 14.31% and the yield on the 10-year US Government bond (for unquoted securities denominated in US \$) of 2.0%.
3. Market premium of 5.96% was adopted based on trend analysis and research of market premiums across the globe by Aswath Damodaran.
4. Beta = 1
5. Growth rate used is growth rate in earnings between the latest year and prior period.

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Summary of carrying amounts of equity Securities at fair value through equity

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-19	Dec-18
Historical cost	201,831	151,831
Cumulative Unrealized Fair Value Gain recognized in Equity (OCI)	983,695	929,384
Fair value	1,185,526	1,081,215

The movement in equity securities at fair value through equity during the year is as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-19	Group Dec-18	Parent Dec-19	Parent Dec-18
Balance, beginning of the year	1,090,596	3,011,648	1,081,215	3,011,648
Effect of exchange rate fluctuation	(50)	1	-	-
Derecognition via sales option	-	(2,001,773)	-	(2,001,773)
Additional investment during the year	50,000	9,380	50,000	-
Fair value movement recognised in OCI	54,311	71,340	54,311	71,340
Balance, end of the year	1,194,857	1,090,596	1,185,526	1,081,215

The movement in equity securities fair value through profit and loss during the year is as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-19	Group Dec-18	Parent Dec-19	Parent Dec-18
Balance, beginning of the year	2,620,200	-	2,620,200	-
Derecognition via purchase option	-	2,620,200	-	2,620,200
Fair value movement recognised in profit	629,800	-	629,800	-
Balance, end of the year	3,250,000	2,620,200	3,250,000	2,620,200

Derivatives

Where the Group's derivative assets and liabilities are not traded on an exchange, they are valued using the discounted cash flow model. The future cash flow to be received is discounted using the appropriate Libor rates.

The Group estimated the fair value of its Foreign exchange derivatives as at 31 December 2019 using the Discounted Cash Flow Model and disclosed it under Level 2 Fair Value Hierarchy.

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The Group is eligible to present net on the balance sheet, certain financial assets and liabilities according to criteria described in Note 3 on Offsetting Financial Instruments. For the financial assets and liabilities subject to enforceable master netting arrangements or similar arrangements above, each agreement between the Group and the counterparty allows for net settlement of the relevant financial assets and liabilities.

The following financial assets and liabilities are subject to offsetting, enforceable master netting arrangements and similar agreements.

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Gross amounts of Financial Assets/liabilities	Gross amounts set off on the SOFP	Net amounts presented on the SOFP	Related amount not set off in the SOFP	Cash collateral	Net amount
Financial assets						
Cash and bank balances (a)	41,622,010	(14,657,848)	26,964,162	-	-	26,964,162
Other Assets (b)	15,800,229	-	15,800,229	-	15,800,229	-
	57,422,239	(14,657,848)	42,764,391	-	15,800,229	26,964,162
Financial liabilities						
Other Liabilities (b)	15,800,229	-	15,800,229	15,800,229	-	-
	15,800,229	-	15,800,229	15,800,229	-	-

Group Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Gross amounts of Financial Assets/liabilities	Gross amounts set off on the SOFP	Net amounts presented on the SOFP	Related amount not set off in the SOFP	Cash collateral	Net amount
Financial assets						
Cash and bank balances (a)	27,932,973	(4,915,700)	23,017,273	-	-	23,017,273
Other Assets (b)	14,541,153	-	14,541,153	-	14,541,153	-
	42,474,126	(4,915,700)	37,558,426	-	14,541,153	23,017,273
Financial liabilities						
Other Liabilities (b)	14,541,153	-	14,541,153	14,541,153	-	-
	14,541,153	-	14,541,153	14,541,153	-	-

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Parent

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Gross amounts of Financial Assets/liabilities	Gross amounts set off on the SOFP	Net amounts presented on the SOFP	Related amount not set off in the SOFP	Cash collateral	Net amount
Financial assets						
Cash and bank balances (a)	41,622,010	(14,657,848)	26,964,162	-	-	26,964,162
Other Assets (b)	15,800,229	-	15,800,229	-	15,800,229	-
	57,422,239	(14,657,848)	42,764,391	-	15,800,229	26,964,162
Financial liabilities						
Other Liabilities (b)	15,800,229	-	15,800,229	15,800,229	-	-
	15,800,229	-	15,800,229	15,800,229	-	-

Parent

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Gross amounts of Financial Assets/liabilities	Gross amounts set off on the SOFP	Net amounts presented on the SOFP	Related amount not set off in the SOFP	Cash collateral	Net amount
Financial assets						
Cash and bank balances (a)	27,932,973	(4,915,700)	23,017,273	-	-	23,017,273
Other Assets (b)	14,541,153	-	14,541,153	-	14,541,153	-
	42,474,126	(4,915,700)	37,558,426	-	14,541,153	23,017,273
Financial liabilities						
Other Liabilities (b)	14,541,153	-	14,541,153	14,541,153	-	-
	14,541,153	-	14,541,153	14,541,153	-	-

(a) Standard terms of clearing in Nigeria include provisions allowing net settlements of payments in the normal course of business.

(b) Certain customers provide monies to the Bank to serve as cash collateral for their LC transactions. The Bank simultaneously increases its balances with the correspondent banks to reflect this. As such, the Bank intends to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

7. Operating segments

The Group has five reportable segments, as described below, which are the Group's strategic business units. The strategic business units offer varied products and services and are managed separately based on the Group's management and internal reporting structure. For each of the strategic business units, the Executive Management Committee reviews internal management reports on at least a quarterly basis.

The following summary describes the operations in each of the Group's reportable segments:

- **Corporate banking** – Incorporates current accounts, deposits, overdrafts, loans and other credit facilities, foreign currency and derivative products offered to very large corporate customers and blue chips.
- **Commercial banking** – Incorporates current accounts, deposits, overdrafts, loans and other credit facilities, foreign currency and derivative products for mid-size and fledgling corporate customers.
- **Retail banking** – Incorporates private banking services, private customer current accounts, savings deposits, investment savings products, custody, credit and debit cards, consumer loans and mortgages.
- **SME banking** – Incorporates current accounts, deposits, overdrafts, loans and other credit facilities, foreign currency and derivative products for small and medium-size enterprises and ventures.
- **Public Sector** – Incorporates current accounts, deposits, overdrafts, loans and other credit facilities, foreign currency and derivative products for Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies.

Information regarding the results of each reportable segment is included below. Performance is measured based on segment profit before income tax, as included in the internal management reports that are reviewed by the Executive Management Committee. Segment profit is used to measure performance as management believes that such information is the most relevant in evaluating the results of certain segments relative to other entities that operate within these industries. Inter-segment pricing is determined on an arm's length basis.

No single external customer accounts for 10% or more of the Group's revenue.

The measurement policies the Group uses for segment reporting are the same as those used in its financial statements, except that activities of Staff Investment Trust have not been consolidated in arriving at the operating profit, assets and liabilities of the operating segment (see note 30(b)). There have been no changes from prior periods in the measurement methods used to determine reported segment profit or loss.

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Operating segments (Continued) Information about operating segments

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Corporate Banking	Retail Banking	Commercial Banking	SME Banking	Public Sector Banking	Total Continuing Operations	Discontinued Operations	Total
Revenue:								
Derived from external customers	265,369,567	107,238,133	33,552,212	18,380,883	9,453,935	433,994,730	56	433,994,786
Derived from other business segments	(25,377,444)	17,631,924	2,389,530	4,715,575	640,415	-	-	-
Total revenue	239,992,123	124,870,057	35,941,742	23,096,458	10,094,350	433,994,730	56	433,994,786
Interest expenses	(48,198,772)	(8,069,372)	(3,965,900)	(2,252,242)	(2,355,311)	(64,841,597)	(16,441)	(64,858,038)
Fee and commission expenses	(755,261)	(1,824,885)	(230,154)	(143,204)	(21,768)	(2,975,272)	-	(2,975,272)
Net operating income	191,038,090	114,975,800	31,745,688	20,701,012	7,717,271	366,177,861	(16,385)	366,161,476
Expense:								
Operating expenses	(20,590,365)	(47,501,129)	(19,675,754)	(16,030,013)	(4,480,747)	(108,278,008)	-	(108,278,008)
Net impairment/loss on financial assets	(2,564,321)	(1,089,876)	(784,237)	(368,811)	(3,948)	(4,811,193)	-	(4,811,193)
Depreciation and amortization	(5,325,160)	(8,420,191)	(4,361,531)	(3,884,437)	(701,318)	(22,692,637)	-	(22,692,637)
Total cost	(28,479,846)	(57,011,196)	(24,821,522)	(20,283,261)	(5,186,013)	(135,781,838)	-	(135,781,838)
Profit before income tax from reportable segments	162,558,244	57,964,604	6,924,166	417,751	2,531,258	230,396,023	(16,385)	230,379,638
Tax	(24,583,244)	(8,765,831)	(1,047,123)	(63,175)	(382,795)	(34,842,168)	-	(34,842,168)
Profit after income tax from reportable segments	137,975,000	49,198,773	5,877,043	354,576	2,148,463	195,553,855	(16,385)	195,537,470
Assets and liabilities:								
Total assets	2,410,338,566	766,112,333	275,678,247	189,396,649	118,234,955	3,759,760,750	-	3,759,760,750
Total liabilities	(1,056,310,518)	(1,356,668,143)	(300,328,094)	(306,998,102)	(40,194,623)	(3,060,499,480)	-	(3,060,499,480)
Net assets/(liabilities)	1,354,028,048	(590,555,810)	(24,649,847)	(117,601,453)	78,040,332	699,261,270	-	699,261,270
Additions to Non-Current Assets	5,582,082	13,788,522	6,008,457	5,699,757	1,005,609	32,084,427	-	32,084,427
Assets:								
Loans and advances to banks	1,513,310	-	-	-	-	1,513,310	-	1,513,310
Loans and advances to customers	1,122,611,651	153,667,857	112,439,002	31,454,492	80,399,044	1,500,572,046	-	1,500,572,046
Others	1,286,213,605	612,444,476	163,239,245	157,942,157	37,835,911	2,257,675,394	-	2,257,675,394
Liabilities:	2,410,338,566	766,112,333	275,678,247	189,396,649	118,234,955	3,759,760,750	-	3,759,760,750
Deposits from banks	107,518,398	-	-	-	-	107,518,398	-	107,518,398
Deposits from customers	596,930,676	1,340,627,049	266,293,611	302,760,652	25,928,396	2,532,540,384	-	2,532,540,384
Others	351,861,444	16,041,094	34,034,483	4,237,450	14,266,227	420,440,698	-	420,440,698
Discontinued Operations	1,056,310,518	1,356,668,143	300,328,094	306,998,102	40,194,623	3,060,499,480	-	3,060,499,480

As at December 2018, Discontinued Operation was part of Corporate segment

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Corporate Banking	Retail Banking	Commercial Banking	SME Banking	Public Sector Banking	Total Continuing Operations	Discontinued Operations	Total
Revenue:								
Derived from external customers	286,731,865	74,314,790	45,733,144	25,456,707	2,287,515	434,524,021	-	434,524,021
Derived from other business segments	(47,881,555)	33,966,377	4,640,233	828,264	8,446,681	-	-	-
Total revenue	238,850,310	108,281,167	50,373,377	26,284,971	10,734,196	434,524,021	-	434,524,021
Interest expenses	(67,790,659)	(7,474,885)	(5,185,488)	(2,118,499)	(1,960,150)	(84,529,681)	-	(84,529,681)
Fee and commission expenses	(748,664)	(724,735)	(265,064)	(133,484)	(25,585)	(1,897,532)	-	(1,897,532)
Net operating income	170,310,987	100,081,547	44,922,825	24,032,988	8,748,461	348,096,808	-	348,096,808
Expense:								
Operating expenses	(20,749,188)	(46,039,923)	(22,700,495)	(15,412,467)	(4,597,137)	(109,499,210)	-	(109,499,210)
Net impairment loss on financial assets	(2,746,829)	(306,455)	(2,286,078)	(162,847)	(54,291)	(5,556,500)	-	(5,556,500)
Depreciation and amortization	(3,067,160)	(7,576,313)	(3,301,438)	(3,131,818)	(552,547)	(17,629,276)	-	(17,629,276)
Total cost	(26,563,177)	(53,922,691)	(28,288,011)	(18,707,132)	(5,203,975)	(132,684,986)	-	(132,684,986)
Profit before income tax from reportable segments	143,747,810	46,158,856	16,634,814	5,325,856	3,544,486	215,411,822	-	215,411,822
Tax	(20,580,119)	(6,631,420)	(2,389,843)	(765,140)	(509,219)	(30,875,741)	-	(30,875,741)
Profit after income tax from reportable segments	123,167,691	39,527,436	14,244,971	4,560,716	3,035,267	184,536,081	-	184,536,081
Dec-2018								
Assets and liabilities:								
Total assets	1,843,313,809	799,917,602	353,932,291	194,762,188	96,134,088	3,288,059,978	-	3,288,059,978
Total liabilities	(843,125,058)	(1,172,483,100)	(392,732,705)	(276,287,146)	(16,567,423)	(2,701,195,432)	-	(2,701,195,432)
Net assets/ (liabilities)	1,000,188,751	(372,565,498)	(38,800,414)	(81,524,958)	79,566,665	586,864,546	-	586,864,546
Additions to Non-Current Assets	5,582,082	13,788,522	6,008,457	5,699,757	1,005,609	32,084,427	-	32,084,427
Assets:								
Loans and advances to banks	2,994,642	-	-	-	-	2,994,642	-	2,994,642
Loans and advances to customers	923,448,724	113,006,487	133,795,205	24,509,561	64,250,382	1,259,010,359	-	1,259,010,359
Others	916,870,443	686,911,115	220,137,086	170,252,627	31,883,706	2,026,054,977	-	2,026,054,977
Liabilities:	1,843,313,809	799,917,602	353,932,291	194,762,188	96,134,088	3,288,059,978	-	3,288,059,978
Deposits from banks	82,803,047	-	-	-	-	82,803,047	-	82,803,047
Deposits from customers	557,912,256	1,132,866,762	319,859,063	250,387,212	12,877,850	2,273,903,143	-	2,273,903,143
Others	202,409,755	39,616,338	72,873,642	25,899,934	3,689,573	344,489,242	-	344,489,242
Total	843,125,058	1,172,483,100	392,732,705	276,287,146	16,567,423	2,701,195,432	-	2,701,195,432

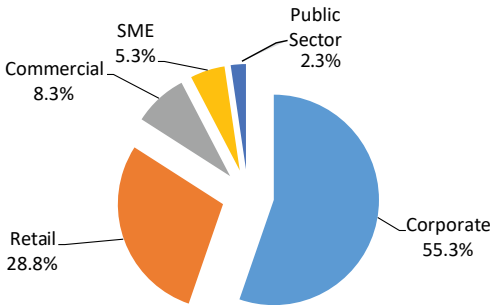
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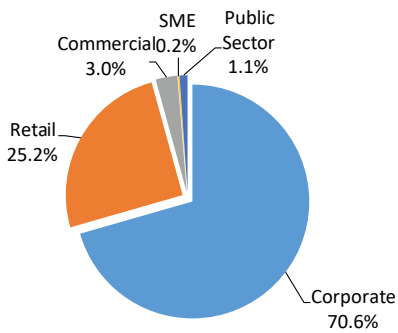
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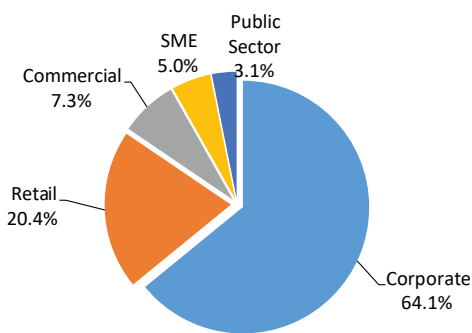
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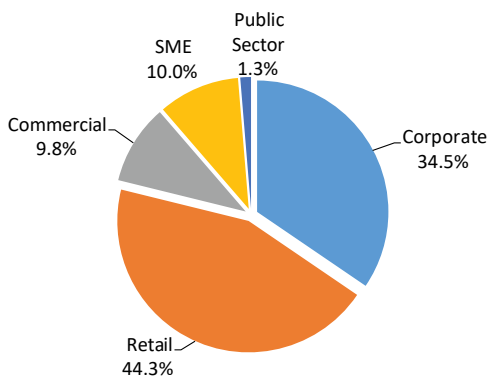
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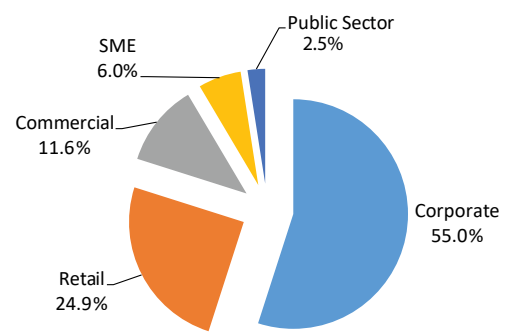


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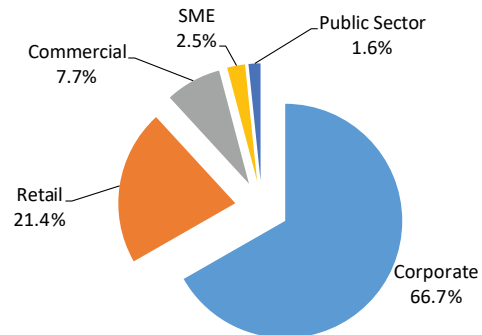


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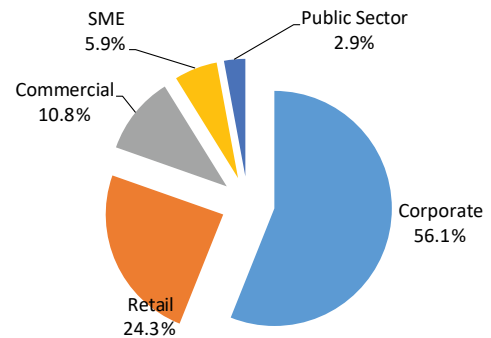
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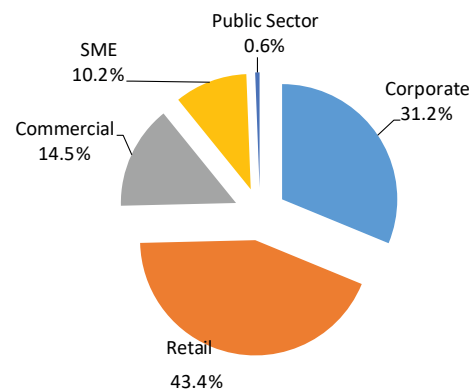
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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Corporate Banking	Retail Banking	Commercial Banking	SME Banking	Public Sector Banking	Total Continuing Operations	Discontinued Operations	Total
Revenue:								
Derived from external customers	203,030,100	91,497,846	28,466,672	16,650,019	7,943,018	347,587,655	-	347,587,655
Derived from other business segments	(12,688,724)	8,815,963	1,194,765	2,357,788	320,208	-	-	-
Total revenue	190,341,376	100,313,809	29,661,437	19,007,807	8,263,226	347,587,655	-	347,587,655
Interest expenses	(38,548,839)	(6,453,793)	(3,171,883)	(1,801,318)	(1,883,751)	(51,859,584)	-	(51,859,584)
Fee and commission expenses	(561,550)	(932,842)	(171,123)	(106,475)	(16,185)	(1,788,175)	-	(1,788,175)
Net operating income	151,230,987	92,927,174	26,318,431	17,100,014	6,363,290	293,939,896	-	293,939,896
Expense:								
Operating expenses	(14,439,146)	(33,939,878)	(13,777,593)	(11,254,181)	(3,190,667)	(76,601,465)	-	(76,601,465)
Net impairment loss on financial assets	(990,961)	(421,174)	(303,062)	(142,524)	(1,526)	(1,859,247)	-	(1,859,247)
Depreciation and amortization	(4,374,278)	(6,916,647)	(3,582,718)	(3,190,816)	(576,087)	(18,640,546)	-	(18,640,546)
Total cost	(19,804,385)	(41,277,699)	(17,663,373)	(14,587,521)	(3,768,280)	(97,101,258)	-	(97,101,258)
Profit before income tax from reportable segments	131,426,602	51,649,475	8,655,058	2,512,493	2,595,010	196,838,638	-	196,838,638
Tax	(16,727,303)	(6,573,679)	(1,101,571)	(319,777)	(330,279)	(25,052,609)	-	(25,052,609)
Profit after income tax from reportable segments	114,699,299	45,075,796	7,553,487	2,192,716	2,264,731	171,786,029	-	171,786,029
Assets and liabilities:								
Total assets	1,985,360,720	631,256,064	227,151,501	156,057,771	97,422,439	3,097,248,495	-	3,097,248,495
Total liabilities	(859,875,531)	(1,104,377,658)	(244,478,090)	(249,907,722)	(32,719,898)	(2,491,358,899)	-	(2,491,358,899)
Net assets/(liabilities)	1,125,485,189	(473,121,594)	(17,326,589)	(93,849,951)	64,702,541	605,889,596	-	605,889,596
Additions to Non-Current Assets	1,457,451	2,304,534	1,193,714	1,063,137	191,945	6,210,781	-	6,210,781
Assets:								
Loans and advances to banks	72,451	-	-	-	-	72,451	-	72,451
Loans and advances to customers	973,173,146	133,212,078	97,471,478	27,267,370	69,696,575	1,300,820,647	-	1,300,820,647
Others	1,012,115,123	498,043,986	129,680,023	128,790,401	27,725,864	1,796,355,397	-	1,796,355,397
Liabilities:								
Deposits from banks	15,200	-	-	-	-	15,200	-	15,200
Deposits from customers	502,304,174	1,083,806,890	229,859,647	249,474,394	21,364,965	2,086,810,070	-	2,086,810,070
Others	357,556,157	20,570,768	14,618,443	433,328	11,354,933	404,533,629	-	404,533,629
859,875,531	1,104,377,658	244,478,090	249,907,722	32,719,898	2,491,358,899	2,491,358,899	-	2,491,358,899

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Corporate Banking	Retail Banking	Commercial Banking	SME Banking	Public Sector Banking	Total Continuing Operations	Discontinued Operations	Total
Revenue:								
Derived from external customers	224,623,213	68,983,752	38,633,953	19,497,257	4,313,493	356,051,668	-	356,051,668
Derived from other business segments	(23,940,780)	16,983,190	2,320,117	414,132	4,223,341	-	-	-
Total revenue	200,682,433	85,966,942	40,954,070	19,911,389	8,536,834	356,051,668	-	356,051,668
Interest expenses	(55,878,621)	(6,151,932)	(4,267,727)	(1,743,554)	(1,613,230)	(69,655,064)	-	(69,655,064)
Fee and commission expenses	(377,860)	(365,783)	(133,781)	(67,371)	(12,913)	(957,708)	-	(957,708)
Net operating income	144,425,952	79,449,227	36,552,562	18,100,464	6,910,691	285,438,896	-	285,438,896
Expense:								
Operating expenses	(14,977,979)	(34,095,604)	(16,526,070)	(11,178,982)	(3,378,318)	(80,156,953)	-	(80,156,953)
Net impairment loss on financial assets	(684,175)	(76,331)	(569,413)	(40,562)	(13,523)	(1,384,004)	-	(1,384,004)
Depreciation and amortization	(2,480,158)	(6,126,336)	(2,669,599)	(2,532,442)	(446,799)	(14,255,334)	-	(14,255,334)
Total cost	(18,142,312)	(40,298,271)	(19,765,082)	(13,751,986)	(3,838,640)	(95,796,291)	-	(95,796,291)
Profit before income tax from reportable segments	126,283,640	39,150,956	16,787,480	4,348,478	3,072,051	189,642,605	-	189,642,605
Tax	(15,446,892)	(4,801,999)	(2,059,042)	(533,356)	(376,797)	(23,218,086)	-	(23,218,086)
Profit after income tax from reportable segments	110,836,748	34,348,957	14,728,438	3,815,122	2,695,254	166,424,519	-	166,424,519
Assets and liabilities:								
Total assets	1,523,458,313	656,349,906	291,879,294	160,615,607	79,279,429	2,711,582,549	938,945	2,712,521,494
Total liabilities	(688,660,676)	(954,571,600)	(319,741,484)	(224,937,880)	(13,488,290)	(2,201,399,930)	(935,725)	(2,202,335,655)
Net assets/ (liabilities)	834,797,637	(298,221,694)	(27,862,190)	(64,322,273)	65,791,139	510,182,619	3,220	510,185,839
Additions to Non-Current Assets	4,649,205	11,484,185	5,004,324	4,747,214	837,552	26,722,480	-	26,722,480
Assets:								
Loans and advances to banks	46,074	-	-	-	-	46,074	-	46,074
Loans and advances to customers	786,222,415	92,986,514	113,496,404	20,791,082	54,502,604	1,067,999,019	-	1,067,999,019
Others	737,189,824	563,363,392	178,382,890	139,824,525	24,776,825	1,643,537,456	938,945	1,644,476,401
Liabilities:								
Deposits from banks	735,929	-	-	-	-	735,929	-	735,929
Deposits from customers	485,773,543	892,240,035	271,784,505	205,451,367	10,566,722	1,865,816,172	-	1,865,816,172
Others	202,151,204	62,331,565	47,956,979	19,486,513	2,971,568	334,847,829	935,725	335,783,554
Net assets/ (liabilities)	688,660,676	954,571,600	319,741,484	224,937,880	13,488,290	2,201,399,930	935,725	2,202,335,655

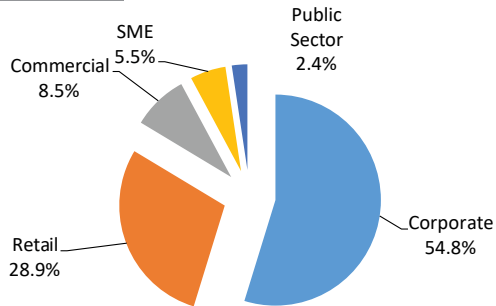
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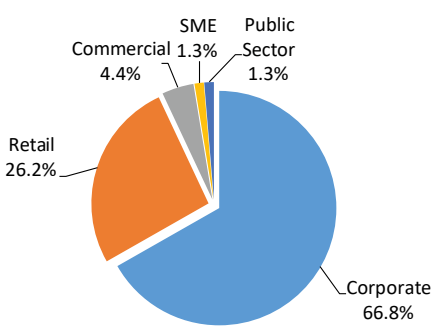
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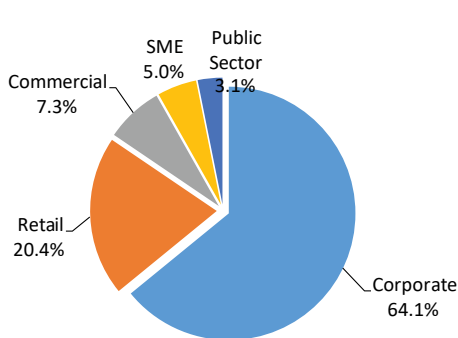
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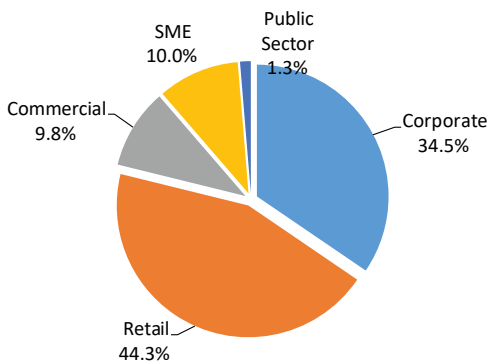
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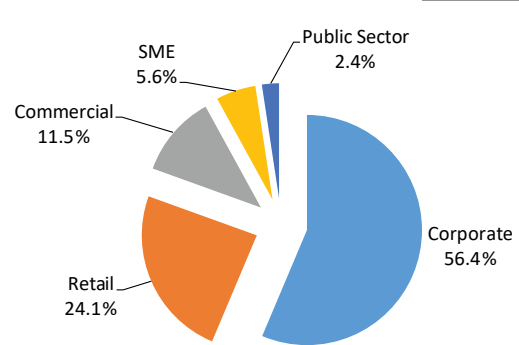


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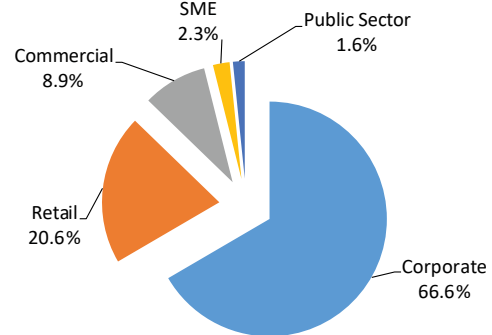


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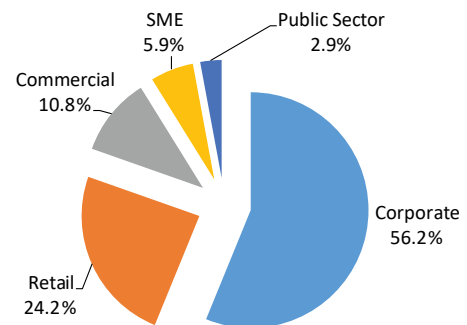
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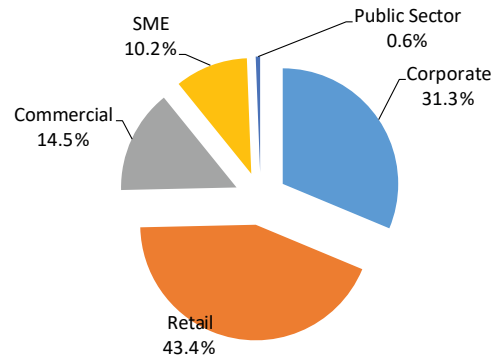
Profit before tax



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The following is an analysis of the Group's revenue and gains from continuing operations by products and services;

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Bonds	3,284,851	3,464,108	2,648,117	2,841,200
Placements	17,827,733	13,200,319	14,372,013	10,826,667
Treasury Bills	111,946,333	105,125,421	90,246,704	86,222,001
Loans	285,641,501	256,549,144	230,272,876	210,417,046
Contingents	16,606,123	56,359,977	13,387,197	46,073,319
	435,306,541	434,698,969	350,926,907	356,380,233

Contingents relates to Bonds and Guarantees, Letters of Credit

Reconciliation of reportable segment revenues, operating expenses, profit or loss and assets and liabilities

Reconciliation of revenues

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Continuing Operations:				
Total revenue from reportable segments	433,994,730	434,524,021	347,587,655	356,051,668
Consolidation and adjustments:				
- Other operating income	952,216	(280,112)	-	-
Revenue from continuing operations	434,946,946	434,243,909	347,587,655	356,051,668

Revenue from continuing operations as shown above is made up of:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Interest income	296,204,699	306,963,482	241,177,613	258,010,986
Fee and commission income	62,418,779	52,367,605	44,919,113	36,110,550
Net gains on financial instruments classified as held for trading	20,889,849	24,583,974	9,971,086	16,652,294
Other operating income	55,793,214	50,783,908	54,859,095	45,606,403
Revenue and gains from continuing operations	435,306,541	434,698,969	350,926,907	356,380,233
Less gains:				
- Gain on disposal of fixed assets	(112,647)	(230,429)	(82,057)	(103,934)
- Dividends income	(246,948)	(224,631)	(3,257,195)	(224,631)
Revenue from continuing operations	434,946,946	434,243,909	347,587,655	356,051,668

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Reconciliation of operating expenses

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Continuing Operations:				
Total operating expense from reportable segments	108,278,008	109,499,210	76,601,465	80,156,953
Operating expense from continuing operations	108,278,008	109,499,210	76,601,465	80,156,953

Operating expense from continuing operations as shown above is made up of:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Personnel expenses (See Note17)	37,284,204	36,856,121	23,330,656	23,681,401
Operating lease expenses	2,114,007	2,085,035	921,610	663,998
Other operating expenses (See Note20)	68,879,797	70,558,054	52,349,199	55,811,554
	108,278,008	109,499,210	76,601,465	80,156,953

Reconciliation of profit or loss

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Continuing Operations:				
Total profit or loss for reportable segments	230,396,023	215,411,822	196,838,638	189,642,605
Consolidation and adjustments:				
- Other operating income	952,216	(280,112)	-	-
Gains:				
- Gain on disposal of fixed assets	112,647	230,429	82,057	103,934
- Dividends income	246,948	224,631	3,257,195	224,631
Profit before income tax from continuing operations	231,707,834	215,586,770	200,177,890	189,971,170

Reconciliation of assets

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Continuing Operations:				
Total assets for reportable segments	3,759,760,750	3,288,059,978	3,097,248,495	2,711,582,549
Consolidation and adjustments	(841,980)	(717,337)	-	-
Total assets	3,758,918,770	3,287,342,641	3,097,248,495	2,711,582,549
Discontinued Operations:				
Total assets for reportable segments (See note 34(b))	-	-	-	938,945
Total assets	-	-	-	938,945

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Reconciliation of liabilities

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Continuing Operations:				
Total liabilities for reportable segments	3,060,499,480	2,701,195,432	2,491,358,899	2,201,399,930
Consolidation and adjustments	11,081,822	9,869,968	-	-
Total liabilities	3,071,581,302	2,711,065,400	2,491,358,899	2,201,399,930
Discontinued Operations:				
Total liabilities for reportable segments (See note 34(b))	-	-	-	935,725
Total liabilities	-	-	-	935,725

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Geographical segments

The Group operates in four geographic regions, being:

- Nigeria
- Rest of West Africa (comprising Ghana, Gambia, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Cote D'Ivoire)
- East Africa (comprising Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda and Tanzania)
- Europe (UK and the Netherlands)

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Nigeria	Rest of West Africa	East Africa	Europe	Total Continuing Operations	Discontinued Operations	Total
Derived from external customers	347,582,173	62,748,857	16,709,336	8,266,175	435,306,541	56	435,306,597
Derived from other segments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenue	347,582,173	62,748,857	16,709,336	8,266,175	435,306,541	56	435,306,597
Interest expense	(51,776,999)	(7,939,946)	(3,726,441)	(1,398,211)	(64,841,597)	(16,441)	(64,858,038)
Fee and commission expenses	(1,788,171)	(439,307)	(747,794)	-	(2,975,272)	-	(2,975,272)
Net interest margin	294,017,003	54,369,604	12,235,101	6,867,964	367,489,672	(16,385)	367,473,287
Profit before income tax	196,736,352	31,155,527	2,399,179	1,416,776	231,707,834	(16,385)	231,691,449
Assets and liabilities:							
Total assets	3,021,583,996	378,947,780	166,810,795	191,576,199	3,758,918,770	-	3,758,918,770
Total liabilities	(2,502,392,684)	(281,538,856)	(125,833,263)	(161,816,499)	(3,071,581,302)	-	(3,071,581,302)
Net assets/(liabilities)	519,191,312	97,408,924	40,977,532	29,759,700	687,337,468	-	687,337,468

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Nigeria	Rest of West Africa	East Africa	Europe	Total Continuing Operations	Discontinued Operations	Total
Derived from external customers	356,196,228	52,746,829	17,595,261	8,160,651	434,698,969	-	434,698,969
Derived from other segments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenue	356,196,228	52,746,829	17,595,261	8,160,651	434,698,969	-	434,698,969
Interest expense	(69,569,081)	(9,506,332)	(4,254,654)	(1,199,614)	(84,529,681)	-	(84,529,681)
Fee and commission expenses	(957,704)	(340,543)	(599,285)	-	(1,897,532)	-	(1,897,532)
Net interest margin	285,669,443	42,899,954	12,741,322	6,961,037	348,271,756	-	348,271,756
Profit before income tax	189,873,158	23,509,277	438,017	1,766,318	215,586,770	-	215,586,770
Assets and liabilities:							
Total assets	2,620,014,083	319,382,607	146,457,763	201,488,188	3,287,342,641	-	3,287,342,641
Total liabilities	(2,208,847,635)	(230,977,433)	(107,636,585)	(163,603,747)	(2,711,065,400)	-	(2,711,065,400)
Net assets/(liabilities)	411,166,448	88,405,174	38,821,178	37,884,441	576,277,241	-	576,277,241

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8 Financial assets and liabilities

Accounting classification measurement basis and fair values

The table below sets out the Group's classification of each class of financial assets and liabilities and their fair values.

Group	Dec-2019	Note	Carrying amount				Fair Value								
			Fair value through profit or loss	Held at amortized cost	Fair value through other comprehensive income	Other financial assets / liabilities at amortized cost	Total carrying amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair value				
In thousands of Nigerian Naira															
Loans and advances to banks	28	-	1,513,310	-	-	-	-	1,513,310	-	-	2,737,535	-	-	-	2,737,535
Loans and advances to customers	29	-	1,500,572,046	-	-	-	-	1,500,572,046	-	-	1,606,064,389	191,781,174	-	-	1,797,845,563
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	73,486,101	-	-	-	-	-	73,486,101	73,486,101	-	-	-	-	-	73,486,101
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	-	-	-	-	-	26,011,823	-	-	26,011,823	-	-	-	26,011,823
Assets pledged as collateral	27	246,106	-	-	57,790,749	-	-	58,036,855	58,036,855	-	-	-	-	-	58,036,855
Investment securities:															
- Fair value through profit or loss	26	33,084,367	-	-	-	-	-	33,084,367	-	-	29,834,367	3,250,000	-	-	33,084,367
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	26	-	-	-	585,392,248	-	-	585,392,248	584,197,391	-	-	1,194,857	-	-	585,392,248
Restricted deposits and other assets ¹	34	-	518,275,514	-	-	-	-	518,275,514	-	-	518,275,514	-	-	-	518,275,514
			132,828,397	2,020,360,870	643,182,997	-	-	2,796,372,264	715,720,347	2,182,923,628	196,226,031	-	-	-	3,094,870,006
Deposits from banks	35	-	-	-	-	107,518,398	-	107,518,398	-	-	107,453,803	-	-	-	107,453,803
Deposits from customers	36	-	-	-	-	2,532,540,384	-	2,532,540,384	-	-	2,525,357,187	-	-	-	2,525,357,187
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	-	-	-	-	-	1,615,735	1,615,735	-	-	-	-	-	1,615,735
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	-	-	-	-	-	2,315,541	-	-	2,315,541	-	-	-	2,315,541
Other borrowed funds	40	-	-	-	-	162,999,909	-	162,999,909	162,999,909	-	162,157,928	-	-	-	162,157,928
Other liabilities ²	38	-	-	-	-	226,621,182	-	226,621,182	-	-	226,621,182	-	-	-	226,621,182
			3,931,276	-	-	3,029,679,873	-	3,033,611,149	1,615,735	3,023,905,641	-	-	-	-	3,025,521,376

¹Excludes prepayments

² Excludes Deferred Income and Provision for Litigations

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	Note	Carrying amount				Fair Value				
		Fair value through profit or loss	Held at amortized cost	Fair value through other comprehensive income	Other financial assets / liabilities at amortized cost	Total carrying amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair value
In thousands of Nigerian Naira										
Loans and advances to banks	28	-	2,994,642	-	-	2,994,642	-	-	-	2,994,642
Loans and advances to customers	29	-	1,259,010,359	-	-	1,259,010,359	-	1,152,684,104	150,636,239	1,303,320,343
Financial assets held for trading	24	11,314,814	-	-	-	11,314,814	11,314,814	-	-	11,314,814
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	-	-	-	3,854,921	-	3,854,921	-	3,854,921
Assets pledged as collateral	27	-	459,921	56,317,249	-	56,777,170	56,317,248	459,922	-	56,777,170
Investment securities:										
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	26	-	-	538,705,155	-	538,705,155	527,613,969	7,380,390	3,710,796	538,705,155
Restricted deposits and other assets ¹	34	-	484,262,706	-	-	484,262,706	-	484,262,706	-	484,262,706
		15,169,735	1,746,727,628	595,022,404	-	2,356,919,767	595,246,031	1,651,636,685	154,347,035	2,401,229,751
Deposits from banks	35	-	-	-	82,803,047	82,803,047	-	12,954,440	-	12,954,440
Deposits from customers	36	-	-	-	2,273,903,143	2,273,903,143	-	2,252,554,182	-	2,252,554,182
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	-	-	-	1,865,419	1,865,419	-	-	1,865,419
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	-	-	-	3,752,666	-	3,752,666	-	3,752,666
Other borrowed funds	40	-	-	-	178,566,800	178,566,800	-	3,223,285	-	3,223,285
Other liabilities ²	38	-	-	-	133,114,496	133,114,496	-	133,114,496	-	133,114,496
		5,618,085	-	-	2,668,387,486	2,674,005,571	1,865,419	2,405,599,069	-	2,407,464,488

¹Excludes prepayments

² Excludes Deferred Income and Provision for Litigations

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	Note	Carrying amount				Fair Value				
		Fair value through profit or loss	Held at ammortized cost	Fair value through other comprehensive income	Other financial assets / liabilities at amortized cost	Total carrying amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair value
In thousands of Nigerian Naira										
Loans and advances to banks	28	-	72,451	-	-	72,451	-	78,363	-	78,363
Loans and advances to customers	29	-	1,300,820,647	-	-	1,300,820,647	-	1,356,601,342	141,792,931	1,498,394,273
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	24	44,717,688	-	-	-	44,717,688	-	-	-	44,717,688
Derivative financial assets	25	26,011,823	-	-	-	26,011,823	-	26,011,823	-	26,011,823
Assets pledged as collateral	27	-	-	57,790,749	-	57,790,749	-	-	-	57,790,749
Investment securities:										
- Fair value through profit or loss	26	33,084,367	-	-	-	33,084,367	-	29,834,367	3,250,000	33,084,367
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	26	-	-	495,731,932	-	495,731,932	-	-	1,185,527	495,731,932
Restricted deposits and other assets ¹	34	-	507,981,561	-	-	507,981,561	-	507,981,561	-	507,981,561
		103,813,878	1,808,874,659	553,522,681	-	2,466,211,218	-	1,920,507,456	146,228,458	2,663,790,756
Deposits from banks	35	-	-	-	15,200	15,200	-	15,200	-	15,200
Deposits from customers	36	-	-	-	2,086,810,070	2,086,810,070	-	2,084,427,531	-	2,084,427,531
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	37	1,615,735	-	-	-	1,615,735	-	-	-	1,615,735
Derivative financial liabilities	25	2,315,541	-	-	-	2,315,541	-	2,315,541	-	2,315,541
Debt securities issued	38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other borrowed funds	40	-	-	-	162,742,565	162,742,565	-	162,742,564	-	162,742,564
Other liabilities ²	38	-	-	-	199,536,392	199,536,392	-	199,536,392	-	199,536,392
		3,931,276	-	-	2,449,104,227	2,453,035,503	-	2,449,037,228	-	2,450,652,963

¹Excludes prepayments

² Excludes Deferred Income and Provision for Litigations

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	Note	Fair value through profit or loss	Held at amortized cost	Carrying amount		Fair Value							
				Fair value through comprehensive income	Other financial assets / liabilities at amortized cost	Total carrying amount	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total Fair value			
In thousands of Nigerian Naira													
Loans and advances to banks	28	-	46,074	-	-	46,074	-	-	-	46,074	-	-	46,074
Loans and advances to customers	29	-	1,067,999,019	-	-	1,067,999,019	-	-	-	1,019,340,229	98,467,280	-	1,117,807,509
Financial assets held for trading	24	8,920,153	-	-	-	8,920,153	-	-	8,920,153	-	-	-	8,920,153
Derivative financial assets	25	3,854,921	-	-	-	3,854,921	-	-	-	3,854,921	-	-	3,854,921
Assets pledged as collateral	27	-	-	56,291,739	-	56,291,739	-	-	-	-	-	-	56,291,739
Investment securities:													
- Fair Value through other comprehensive income	26	-	-	462,249,459	-	462,249,459	-	-	451,167,653	7,380,390	3,701,416	-	462,249,459
Restricted deposits and other assets ¹	34	-	482,822,956	-	-	482,822,956	-	-	-	482,822,956	-	-	482,822,956
		12,775,074	1,550,868,049	518,541,198	-	2,082,184,321	-	2,082,184,321	516,379,545	1,513,444,570	102,168,696	-	2,131,992,811
Deposits from banks	35	-	-	-	-	735,929	-	-	-	735,929	-	-	735,929
Deposits from customers	36	-	-	-	-	1,865,816,172	-	-	-	1,863,760,743	-	-	1,863,760,743
Financial liabilities held for trading	37	1,865,419	-	-	-	1,865,419	-	-	1,865,419	-	-	-	1,865,419
Derivative financial liabilities	25	3,752,666	-	-	-	3,752,666	-	-	-	3,752,666	-	-	3,752,666
Other borrowed funds	40	-	-	-	-	177,361,218	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities ²	38	-	-	-	-	112,975,988	-	-	-	112,975,988	-	-	112,975,988
		5,618,085	-	-	-	2,156,889,307	-	2,156,889,307	1,865,419	1,981,225,326	-	-	1,983,090,745

¹Excludes prepayments

² Excludes Deferred Income and Provision for Litigations

Fair value of loans and advances

The fair values of non retail loans have been determined based on observable market data (transactions) (level 2) whilst those of retail loans have been estimated using Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) valuation models (level 3). Inputs into this valuation technique include: expected cash flows, expected losses, tenor and interest rates, risk premium between interest rate on the loan and risk free rate in the economy.

The expected cash flows (estimated recoverable amount from receivables, collateral and otherwise) are thus discounted to obtain the fair value of the retail loans. To improve the accuracy of fair value of retail loans, these loans are grouped into homogenous portfolio along product and customer type.

Fair value of customers' deposits

Fair values of customers' deposits have been determined using discounted cash flow techniques applying the rates on deposits of similar maturities and terms to discount the contractual cash flows.

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Accounting classification measurement basis and fair values (continued)

Financial instruments at fair value (including those FVTPL and FVOCI) are either priced with reference to a quoted market price for that instrument or by using a valuation model. Where the fair value is calculated using a valuation model, the methodology is to calculate the expected cash flows under the terms of each specific contract and then discount these values back to present value. The expected cash flows for each contract are determined either directly by reference to actual cash flows implicit in observable market prices or through modelling cash flows using appropriate financial markets pricing models. Wherever possible these models use as their basis observable market prices and rates including, for example, interest rate yield curves and prices.

9 Interest income

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Interest income calculated using effective interest rate				
Loans and advances to banks	3,206,600	2,901,174	1,331	10,702
Loans and advances to customers	178,417,239	187,902,581	153,586,003	163,651,269
	181,623,839	190,803,755	153,587,334	163,661,971
Cash and cash equivalents	10,887,768	11,625,376	9,339,478	9,258,140
Investment securities:				
– Investment Securities FVOCI	70,221,416	74,999,713	66,104,477	72,973,921
– Investment securities at amortised cost	19,983,643	16,343,020	330,000	330,000
Assets pledged as collateral	8,941,571	9,663,872	8,941,571	9,663,872
	291,658,237	303,435,736	238,302,860	255,887,904
Interest income on financial assets FVTPL:				
Investment securities FVTPL	4,546,462	3,527,746	2,874,753	2,123,082
Total interest income	296,204,699	306,963,482	241,177,613	258,010,986
Geographical location				
Interest income earned in Nigeria	233,508,661	250,801,711	233,508,661	250,801,711
Interest income earned outside Nigeria	62,696,038	56,161,771	7,668,952	7,209,275
	296,204,699	306,963,482	241,177,613	258,010,986

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10 Interest expense

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Restated			
	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Deposit from banks	759,531	73,173	110,867	202,156
Deposit from customers	53,056,153	67,981,503	41,735,356	54,381,016
	53,815,684	68,054,676	41,846,223	54,583,172
Financial liabilities held for trading	1,678,913	1,927,591	1,678,913	1,927,591
Other borrowed funds	9,347,000	9,577,658	8,334,448	8,088,560
Debt securities	-	4,969,756	-	5,055,741
Total interest expense	64,841,597	84,529,681	51,859,584	69,655,064
Geographical location				
Interest expense paid in Nigeria	47,310,478	58,507,370	47,659,192	58,843,507
Interest expense paid outside Nigeria	17,531,119	26,022,311	4,200,392	10,811,557
	64,841,597	84,529,681	51,859,584	69,655,064

11 Loan impairment (credit) / charges

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Loans and advances to banks (Note 28)	63,515	(2,506)	6,090	(8,673)
Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	58,116	(7,289)	691	(7,289)
Stage 2 - Lifetime ECL Not Credit Impaired	5	-	5	-
Stage 3 - Lifetime ECL Credit Impaired	5,394	4,783	5,394	(1,384)
Loans and advances to customers (Note 29)	4,848,151	4,908,991	2,215,411	1,512,976
Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	535,091	1,789,037	4,569	308,944
Stage 2 - Lifetime ECL Not Credit Impaired	(3,963,519)	(24,272,810)	(5,576,719)	(23,296,185)
Stage 3 - Lifetime ECL Credit Impaired	10,170,083	27,392,764	7,787,561	24,500,217
Amounts written off during the Period as uncollectible	(1,893,504)	-	-	-
	4,911,666	4,906,485	2,221,501	1,504,303

12 Fee and commission income

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Credit related fees and commissions	9,590,297	7,081,877	6,124,675	4,103,787
Account Maintenance Charges	11,594,742	10,582,781	9,747,666	9,153,965
Corporate finance fees	4,311,901	4,992,395	4,311,698	4,992,374
E-business Income	15,662,338	9,587,204	13,498,338	8,019,564
Commission on foreign exchange deals	6,681,125	5,024,135	6,106,174	5,024,135
Commission On Touch Points	1,876,511	1,166,603	1,454,585	1,166,603
Income from financial guarantee contracts issued	2,348,867	2,893,929	1,521,704	2,066,531
Account services, maintenance and ancillary banking charges	7,514,377	7,499,162	2,154,273	1,583,591
Transfers related charges	2,838,621	3,539,519	-	-
	62,418,779	52,367,605	44,919,113	36,110,550

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13 Fee and commission expense

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Bank charges	1,772,420	1,272,384	1,140,464	840,364
Loan recovery expenses	1,202,852	625,148	647,711	117,344
	2,975,272	1,897,532	1,788,175	957,708

14 Net trading gains on financial instruments held at FVPL

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Bonds FVPL	4,912,954	1,776,381	159,938	225,950
Treasury bills FVPL	3,975,182	3,520,979	3,975,182	2,992,434
Foreign exchange trading gain	12,001,713	19,286,614	5,835,966	13,433,910
Net trading income	20,889,849	24,583,974	9,971,086	16,652,294

15 Other income

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Mark to market gains on trading investments	845,133	617,646	845,133	617,646
FVPL notes income	2,459,151	-	2,459,151	-
Foreign exchange revaluation gain	17,065,559	31,082,991	15,229,721	29,879,043
Gain on disposal of fixed assets	112,647	230,429	82,057	103,934
Discounts and recoverables (FX)	16,611,846	6,973,494	15,960,012	6,973,494
Mark - up exchange income	-	1,273,703	-	1,273,703
Recoveries and others	18,451,930	10,381,014	17,025,826	6,533,952
Gain on disposal of subsidiary	-	-	2,422,360	-
Dividends income	246,948	224,631	834,835	224,631
	55,793,214	50,783,908	54,859,095	45,606,403

16 Net impairment (reversal) / charge on other financial assets

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Impairment charges on investment securities	230,116	362,085	4,747	11,969
Impairment charges/(reversal) on other assets	(57,374)	86,990	(57,374)	86,990
Impairment charges/(reversal) on placements	261,409	(145,233)	261,409	(190,428)
Impairment charges/(reversal) on contingents	(534,624)	346,173	(571,036)	(28,830)
	(100,473)	650,015	(362,254)	(120,299)

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17 Personnel expenses

(a)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Wages and salaries	33,320,391	32,714,422	23,059,813	23,070,114
Contributions to defined contribution plans	1,489,155	1,431,668	829,997	833,784
Defined benefit gains	(1,667,612)	(1,300,304)	(1,736,134)	(1,403,286)
Cash-settled share-based payments (see 17(b) below)	803,836	809,857	803,836	809,857
Staff welfare expenses	3,338,434	3,200,478	373,144	370,932
	37,284,204	36,856,121	23,330,656	23,681,401

Staff Welfare Expenses:

This is an estimate determined as required by IAS 19 in view of Loans granted to Staff at interest rate lower than the market interest rate. These loans are measured at fair value at initial recognition. The difference between the PV of cash flows discounted at the contractual rate and PV of cash flows discounted at market rate has been recognised as prepaid employee estimates which is amortised to personnel expense (staff welfare expenses) over the life of the loan.

Cash- settled share-based payments

This relates to estimated gains at the point of exit of employees from the share based scheme, it is calculated as the difference between the Cost and expected Market price of the underlying shares purchased by employee at the point of exit discounted to present value. This is in line with IFRS 2 as these estimated gains are deemed to be directly attributable to the fact that employee within the Scheme provides services to the Bank. The Group operates a cash-settled share based compensation plan (share appreciation rights (SARs)) and profit-sharing scheme (PSS) for its management personnel. The management personnel are entitled to share appreciation rights after spending ten years in the Bank while PSS is paid on a deferred basis. Qualified employees must have been in the scheme for five years and must have held the shares for at least three years. The amount of cash payment is determined based on the fair value of the shares of the Bank. The details of SARs granted at the reporting date are provided below:

In thousands	Number of shares
SARs granted to senior management employees at 31 Dec 2019	365,454
SARs granted to senior management employees at 31 Dec 2018	363,918

(b) Employee expenses for share-based payments

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Note	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018
Total carrying amount of liabilities for cash-settled arrangements	38	11,081,822	9,869,968

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(i) The average number of persons employed during the period was as follows:

	Group Dec-2019 Number	Group Dec-2018 Number	Parent Dec-2019 Number	Parent Dec-2018 Number
Executive directors	6	5	6	5
Management	183	206	56	55
Non-management	5,417	5,150	3,447	3,334
	5,606	5,361	3,509	3,394

(ii) The average number of persons in employment during the period is shown below:

	Group Dec-2019 Number	Group Dec-2018 Number	Parent Dec-2019 Number	Parent Dec-2018 Number
Administration	126	90	44	43
Commercial Banking Abuja	33	34	33	34
Commercial Banking Lagos	166	178	166	178
Commercial Banking North East	51	48	51	48
Commercial Banking North West	54	52	54	52
Commercial Banking South East	47	48	47	48
Commercial Banking South South	43	44	43	44
Communication and External Affairs	111	181	25	27
Compliance Group	58	37	43	37
Digital Banking Division	126	137	102	104
Emerging Technologies Division	21	19	21	19
Enterprise Risk Management	170	152	78	69
Chief Executive Officer	1	1	1	1
Financial Control, Group Reporting & Strategy	79	26	28	26
Human Resources	40	27	29	27
Institutional Banking	295	305	59	98
International Banking	24	25	24	25
Operations	231	166	180	166
Procurement & Expense Control	17	15	16	15
Public Sector Abuja	32	27	32	27
Public Sector Lagos	17	20	17	20
Retail Lagos	191	173	191	173
Retail Abuja	65	60	65	60
Retail South East	19	17	19	17
South West Division	109	102	109	102
Retail South-South	46	42	46	42
SME Abuja	48	43	48	43
SME Division - Lagos	111	114	111	114
SME Division - South East	36	36	36	36
Systems and Control	157	141	89	84
Technology	243	226	157	151
Transaction Services	1,819	1,807	1,336	1,288
Wholesale Banking	56	40	29	29
Commercial Banking Subsidiaries	124	110	-	-
Retail Subsidiaries	187	152	-	-

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Public Sector Subsidiaries	29	11	-	-
Other Support Services Subsidiaries	432	508	-	-
Customer Experience Management Division	68	62	68	62
Data Analytics Division	6	5	6	5
Fintech and Innovation Division	9	5	9	5
Legal Group	37	25	26	25
Financial Institutions & Telecoms	28	-	28	-
Oil & Gas Division	44	50	43	50
	5,606	5,361	3,509	3,394

- (iii) Average number of employees other than directors, earning more than ₦720,000 per annum, received emoluments (excluding pension contributions and certain benefits) in the following ranges:

	Group Dec-2019 Number	Group Dec-2018 Number	Parent Dec-2019 Number	Parent Dec-2018 Number
N720,001 - N1,400,000	915	1,577	-	-
N1,400,001 - N2,050,000	501	168	6	5
N2,190,001 - N2,330,000	157	733	-	682
N2,330,001 - N2,840,000	707	20	687	-
N2,840,001 - N3,000,000	84	20	-	-
N3,001,001 - N3,830,000	82	970	-	957
N3,830,001 - N4,530,000	1,225	30	1,164	-
N4,530,001 - N5,930,000	57	643	-	634
N6,000,001 - N6,800,000	556	355	549	348
N6,800,001 - N7,300,000	13	10	-	-
N7,300,001 - N7,800,000	486	8	371	-
N7,800,001 - N8,600,000	8	317	-	309
N8,600,001 - N11,800,000	508	323	467	307
Above N11,800,000	301	182	259	147
	5,600	5,356	3,503	3,389

18 Right-of-use asset amortisation / Operating lease expense

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Right-of-use assets amortisation ¹	2,114,007	-	921,610	-
	2,114,007	-	921,610	-
Operating lease expense	-	2,085,035	-	663,998
	-	2,085,035	-	663,998

¹This relates to amortisation on Right-of-use assets in line with IFRS 16. Please refer to Note 34 (iii) for more information.

Out of the total Right-of-use assets amortisation of ₦2,114,007,000 for the Group, a sum of ₦718,854,000 relates to Property (Parent: ₦188,944,000), while the balance of ₦1,395,153,000 and ₦732,667,000 for the Group and Bank respectively relates to Rent.

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19 Depreciation and amortisation

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Amortisation of intangible assets (see note 32)	2,860,830	2,302,179	2,300,132	1,800,577
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (see note 31)	19,831,807	15,327,097	16,340,414	12,454,757
	22,692,637	17,629,276	18,640,546	14,255,334

20 Other operating expenses

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Finance costs	385,298	14,360	3,067	2,310
Deposit insurance premium	8,622,299	7,892,830	8,500,844	7,725,900
Other insurance premium	1,263,746	657,359	993,948	518,342
Auditors' remuneration ¹	857,822	791,353	550,000	500,000
Professional fees and other consulting costs	1,633,766	1,635,891	802,065	719,036
AMCON expenses	15,486,989	16,307,643	15,486,989	16,307,643
Stationery and postage	1,130,720	1,295,027	765,281	904,226
Business travel expenses	725,548	726,784	459,280	417,645
Advert, promotion and corporate gifts	4,052,009	6,421,254	3,231,449	5,195,047
Repairs and maintenance	3,414,420	4,810,767	1,695,414	3,503,237
Occupancy costs ²	6,892,117	8,320,232	5,301,360	6,421,101
Directors' emoluments	787,091	585,970	272,591	233,900
Outsourcing services ³	10,169,047	8,253,930	8,387,074	6,847,310
Administrative expense	6,096,565	4,924,462	1,601,786	2,365,160
Communications and sponsorship related expense	3,879,098	3,844,752	2,167,869	1,648,965
Human capital related expenses	1,693,655	1,803,009	1,495,717	1,580,128
Customer service related expenses	1,789,607	2,272,431	634,465	921,604
	68,879,797	70,558,054	52,349,199	55,811,554

¹ Auditor's remuneration represents fees for the interim and final audits of the Group and Bank for the year ended 31 December 2019. The Bank also paid the auditors professional fees in the sum of N4,000,000 for non-audit services (certification of financial covenant with the Bank's foreign lenders). These services, in the Bank's opinion, did not impair the independence and objectivity of the external auditor.

² This relates to diesel, fuel, and electricity cost as well as ground rates and water cost

³ Outsourcing services relates to salaries paid to outsourced contract staff

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21 Income tax expense recognised in the Income statement

a)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Current tax expense:				
Company income tax	24,801,854	16,186,047	15,867,058	9,043,531
Education Tax	1,870,484	1,326,086	1,870,484	1,326,086
Police Trust Fund Levy	8,757	-	8,757	-
NITDA Levy	2,001,779	1,902,093	2,001,779	1,902,093
	28,682,874	19,414,226	19,748,078	12,271,710
Prior year's under provision	814,880	2,605,972	814,880	2,605,972
Dividend tax	-	10,239,526	-	10,239,526
Deferred tax expense:				
Origination of temporary differences	5,344,414	(1,383,983)	4,489,651	(1,899,122)
	34,842,168	30,875,741	25,052,609	23,218,086

Reconciliation of effective tax rate

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2018
Profit before income tax	231,707,834		215,586,770	
Income tax using the domestic corporation tax rate	69,512,350	30.0%	64,676,031	30.0%
Effect of tax rates in foreign jurisdictions	330,576	0.1%	44,410	0.0%
Tax reliefs/WHT Credits	(292,856)	-0.1%	(4,556,198)	-2.1%
Non-deductible expenses	5,466,370	2.4%	4,969,893	2.3%
Education tax levy	1,870,484	0.8%	1,326,086	0.6%
Police Trust Fund Levy	8,757	0.0%	-	0.0%
NITDEF tax levy	2,001,779	0.9%	1,902,093	0.9%
Tax exempt income	(44,269,638)	-19.1%	(49,761,444)	-23.1%
Deductible expenses	(600,534)	-0.3%	(570,628)	-0.3%
Dividend tax	-	0.0%	10,239,526	4.7%
Prior year's under provision	814,880	0.4%	2,605,972	1.2%
Total income tax expense	34,842,168	15.0%	30,875,741	14.3%

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Reconciliation of effective tax rate

Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2018
Profit before income tax	200,177,890		189,971,170	
Income tax using the domestic corporation tax rate	60,053,367	30.0%	57,062,786	30.0%
Tax reliefs/WHT Credits	(292,856)	-0.1%	(4,556,198)	-2.4%
Non-deductible expenses ¹	5,466,370	2.7%	4,969,893	2.6%
Education tax levy	1,870,484	0.9%	1,326,086	0.7%
Police Trust Fund Levy	8,757	0.0%	-	0.0%
NITDEF tax levy	2,001,779	1.0%	1,902,093	1.0%
Tax exempt income ²	(44,269,638)	-22.1%	(49,761,444)	-26.2%
Deductible expenses	(600,534)	-0.3%	(570,628)	-0.3%
Dividend tax	-	0.0%	10,239,526	5.4%
Prior year's under provision	814,880	0.4%	2,605,972	0.1%
Total income tax expense	25,052,609	12.5%	23,218,086	12.2%

¹ Non-deductible expense include depreciation, stage 1 impairment, non-allowable donations ,etc

² Tax exempt income include FX translation gains, Dividends, Interest earned on treasury bills and bonds etc

Income tax recognised in other comprehensive income

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Income tax relating to remeasurements of post-employment benefit obligations	(628,161)	(71,679)	(628,161)	(71,679)
Income tax relating to Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations	(2,196,882)	3,509,522	-	-
Income tax relating to Net change in FVOCI financial assets	1,438,764	(2,103,633)	1,277,274	(2,230,097)
	(1,386,279)	1,334,210	649,113	(2,301,776)

(b) Current income tax payable

The movement on the current income tax payable account during the year was as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Balance, beginning of the year	22,650,861	24,147,356	22,511,233	24,009,770
Exchange difference on translation	(373,137)	(47,067)	-	-
Charge for the year	28,682,874	19,414,226	19,748,078	12,271,710
Prior year's under provision	814,880	2,605,972	814,880	2,605,972
Payments during the year	(31,178,390)	(33,709,152)	(23,326,117)	(26,615,745)
Dividend tax	-	10,239,526	-	10,239,526
Balance, end of the year	20,597,088	22,650,861	19,748,074	22,511,233

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22 Basic and Diluted earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the net profit attributable to equity holders of the company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period, excluding the average number of ordinary shares purchased by the company and held as treasury shares. The calculation of basic earnings per share for the reporting period was based on the profit attributable to ordinary shareholders of N195,398,670,000 and a weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding of 28,084,989,000 (after adjusting for Treasury shares) for the Group and 29,431,179,000 for the Parent.

Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company	195,398,670	183,922,718	175,125,281	166,753,084
Net profit used to determine diluted earnings per share	195,398,670	183,922,718	175,125,281	166,753,084

Number of ordinary shares

In thousands of shares	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	28,084,989	28,110,827	29,431,179	29,431,179
Basic earnings per share (expressed in naira per share)	6.96	6.54	5.95	5.67

The Group does not have any dilutive potential ordinary shares. Therefore, Basic EPS and Diluted EPS for continuing operations are the same for the Group.

23 Cash and bank balances

(a)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Cash in hand	60,273,825	64,318,503	38,649,960	43,652,540
Balances held with other banks	212,812,153	208,289,218	87,974,144	75,142,158
Unrestricted balances with central banks	131,090,460	72,552,069	87,429,812	47,484,035
Money market placements	189,803,396	331,989,039	183,238,350	291,334,276
	593,979,834	677,148,829	397,292,266	457,613,009
Impairment on Placements	(428,717)	(159,817)	(376,489)	(115,080)
	593,551,117	676,989,012	396,915,777	457,497,929
Current	593,551,117	676,989,012	396,915,777	457,497,929
Non-current	-	-	-	-

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(b) Cash and cash equivalents in statement of cash flows includes:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Cash and bank balances	593,551,118	676,989,012	396,915,777	457,497,929
Cash and bank balances above three months	(8,395,097)	(62,025,832)	(1,837,998)	(50,029,687)
	585,156,021	614,963,180	395,077,779	407,468,242

Movement in Impairment on Cash and bank balances

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening balance	159,817	-	115,080	-
Impact of IFRS 9 adoption	-	350,703	-	305,508
Addition during the year	268,900	-	261,409	-
Reversal during the year	-	(190,886)	-	(190,428)
Closing balance	428,717	159,817	376,489	115,080

24 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

(a)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Financial assets Fair Value through Profit or Loss:				
Bonds - (see note 24(b) below)	16,543,481	-	835,307	-
Treasury Bills - (see note 24(c) below)	56,942,620	11,314,814	43,882,381	8,920,153
	73,486,101	11,314,814	44,717,688	8,920,153
Current	58,335,285	10,706,525	43,882,381	8,920,153
Non-current	15,150,816	608,289	835,307	-

(b) Bonds FVPL are analysed below:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
11th FGN Bond Series 2 (12.15%)	282	-	282	-
14th FGN Bond Series 2 (16.25%)	2,686	-	2,686	-
14th FGN Bond Series 1 (16.29%)	1,010	-	1,010	-
16th FGN Bond Series 2 (14.80%)	831,329	-	831,329	-
Non-Nigerian trading bonds	15,708,174	-	-	-
	16,543,481	-	835,307	-

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(c) Treasury bills FVPL is analysed below:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Nigerian treasury bills' maturities:				
03-January-2019	-	441,730	-	441,730
10-January-2019	-	73,256	-	73,256
17-January-2019	-	58,895	-	58,895
24-January-2019	-	7,106	-	7,106
31-January-2019	-	260,210	-	260,210
07-February-2019	-	935,010	-	935,010
14-February-2019	-	749,326	-	749,326
21-February-2019	-	61,372	-	61,372
28-February-2019	-	65,526	-	65,526
14-March-2019	-	65,693	-	65,693
21-March-2019	-	12,458	-	12,458
28-March-2019	-	192,970	-	192,970
04-April-2019	-	97,785	-	97,785
18-April-2019	-	24,027	-	24,027
02-May-2019	-	86,745	-	86,745
09-May-2019	-	825,681	-	825,681
16-May-2019	-	28,543	-	28,543
23-May-2019	-	612	-	612
30-May-2019	-	22,851	-	22,851
20-June-2019	-	64,753	-	64,753
27-June-2019	-	24,560	-	24,560
04-July-2019	-	34,200	-	34,200
11-July-2019	-	43,151	-	43,151
18-July-2019	-	77,538	-	77,538
01-August-2019	-	46,510	-	46,510
15-August-2019	-	210,568	-	210,568
29-August-2019	-	298,350	-	298,350
19-September-2019	-	480,354	-	480,354
26-September-2019	-	86,705	-	86,705
03-October-2019	-	387,287	-	387,287
10-October-2019	-	146,515	-	146,515
17-October-2019	-	905,639	-	905,639
24-October-2019	-	832,229	-	832,229
31-October-2019	-	120,219	-	120,219
07-November-2019	-	460,319	-	460,319
21-November-2019	-	136,277	-	136,277
28-November-2019	-	240,788	-	240,788
05-December-2019	-	166,024	-	166,024
12-December-2019	-	148,371	-	148,371
02-January-2020	662,371	-	662,371	-
09-January-2020	1,566,511	-	1,566,511	-
16-January-2020	763,729	-	763,729	-

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23-January-2020	170,912	-	170,912	-
30-January-2020	1,131,367	-	1,131,367	-
06-February-2020	324,334	-	324,334	-
13-February-2020	577,058	-	577,058	-
20-February-2020	208,420	-	208,420	-
27-February-2020	1,319,278	-	1,319,278	-
05-March-2020	238,554	-	238,554	-
12-March-2020	125,852	-	125,852	-
19-March-2020	24,109	-	24,109	-
26-March-2020	24,160	-	24,160	-
02-April-2020	70,789	-	70,789	-
09-April-2020	22,267	-	22,267	-
16-April-2020	296,202	-	296,202	-
23-April-2020	481,918	-	481,918	-
30-April-2020	405,660	-	405,660	-
14-May-2020	69,901	-	69,901	-
28-May-2020	9,721,537	-	9,721,537	-
04-June-2020	14,403	-	14,403	-
11-June-2020	8,723	-	8,723	-
18-June-2020	276,006	-	276,006	-
02-July-2020	41,637	-	41,637	-
16-July-2020	994,410	-	994,410	-
30-July-2020	73,776	-	73,776	-
13-August-2020	115,127	-	115,127	-
20-August-2020	360,199	-	360,199	-
27-August-2020	230,922	-	230,922	-
03-September-2020	54,131	-	54,131	-
10-September-2020	58,777	-	58,777	-
17-September-2020	55,265	-	55,265	-
24-September-2020	27,718	-	27,718	-
01-October-2020	79,967	-	79,967	-
08-October-2020	327,820	-	327,820	-
15-October-2020	1,665,924	-	1,665,924	-
29-October-2020	3,853	-	3,853	-
12-November-2020	40,842	-	40,842	-
26-November-2020	141,157	-	141,157	-
01-December-2020	17,620,199	-	17,620,199	-
15-December-2020	873,547	-	873,547	-
22-December-2020	2,613,049	-	2,613,049	-
Non-Nigerian treasury bills	13,060,239	2,394,661	-	-
	56,942,620	11,314,814	43,882,381	8,920,153

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25 Derivative financial instruments

(a)

Group

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notional Contract Amount	Fair Value Assets	Fair Value Liability
Foreign Exchange Derivatives:			
Foreign exchange forward	188,589,544	26,011,823	(2,315,541)
Derivative assets/(liabilities)	188,589,544	26,011,823	(2,315,541)

Group

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notional Contract Amount	Fair Value Assets	Fair Value Liability
Foreign Exchange Derivatives:			
Foreign exchange forward	56,100,332	3,854,921	(3,752,666)
Derivative assets/(liabilities)	56,100,332	3,854,921	(3,752,666)

Parent

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notional Contract Amount	Fair Value Assets	Fair Value Liability
Foreign Exchange Derivatives:			
Foreign exchange forward	188,589,544	26,011,823	(2,315,541)
Derivative assets/(liabilities)	188,589,544	26,011,823	(2,315,541)

Parent

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Notional Contract Amount	Fair Value Assets	Fair Value Liability
Foreign Exchange Derivatives:			
Foreign exchange forward	56,100,332	3,854,921	(3,752,666)
Derivative assets/(liabilities)	56,100,332	3,854,921	(3,752,666)

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(b) All derivatives are settled in less than one year.

(c) Foreign exchange derivatives and Options

The Group enters into forward foreign exchange contracts and currency swaps designated as held for trading. A forward foreign exchange contract is an agreement by two counterparties to exchange currencies at a pre-determined rate on some future date. No funds change hands when a typical forward foreign exchange contract originates; a funds flow occurs only at the contract's stated future delivery time. Additionally the Group offers its customers derivatives in connection with their risk management objectives to transfer or reduce market risk (commodity

price) for their own trading purpose. The hedge transaction with the customer is backed by visible trade transaction. The foreign currency forward and option contracts are subject to the same risk management policies. The Group's foreign exchange derivatives do not qualify for hedge accounting; therefore all gains and losses from changes in their fair values are recognised immediately in the income statement and are reported in 'Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss'.

26 Investment securities

a (i)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Investment securities at fair value through OCI				
Debt securities - Treasury bills FVOCI	570,020,227	511,504,593	482,514,386	440,140,302
Debt securities - Bonds FVOCI	14,233,642	16,172,674	12,083,593	11,083,123
Debt securities - Corporate bond FVOCI	-	7,608,088	-	7,608,088
Investment securities - Equity (See note 26(a)(ii) below)	1,194,857	1,090,596	1,185,527	1,081,216
	585,448,726	536,375,951	495,783,506	459,912,729
12 month ECL on Bonds	(551)	(1,085)	(280)	(599)
12 month ECL on Treasury Bills	(55,927)	(62,213)	(51,294)	(55,173)
12 month ECL on corporate bond	-	(227,698)	-	(227,698)
Total	585,392,248	536,084,955	495,731,932	459,629,259
Investment securities at fair value through profit or loss				
Investment securities - FVPL Notes (see note 26(b) below)	29,834,367	-	29,834,367	-
Investment securities - Equity	3,250,000	2,620,200	3,250,000	2,620,200
	33,084,367	2,620,200	33,084,367	2,620,200
Investment securities at amortised cost:				
- Bonds	41,934,937	54,366,750	2,008,137	2,008,137
- Treasury bills	104,039,702	44,202,639	-	-
- Corporate bond	-	394,350	-	-
	145,974,639	98,963,739	2,008,137	2,008,137
12 month ECL on Bonds - Amortised Cost	(168,167)	(200,041)	(4,554)	(4,865)
12 month ECL on Treasury Bills - Amortised Cost	(245,240)	(133,745)	-	-
12 month ECL on Corp Bond - Amortised Cost	-	(10,444)	-	-
Total Investment securities at amortised cost	145,561,232	98,619,509	2,003,583	2,003,272
Total investment securities	764,037,847	637,324,664	530,819,882	464,252,731
Current	719,575,322	560,050,680	512,297,458	441,603,763
Non-current	44,462,525	77,273,984	18,522,424	22,648,968

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a (ii) Equity investment securities is analysed below:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
FVOCI equity instrument				
- GIM UEMOA	9,330	9,380	-	-
- SANEF	50,000	-	50,000	-
- Unified Payment Services Limited ¹	272,704	243,188	272,704	243,188
- Nigeria Automated Clearing Systems	756,479	753,185	756,479	753,185
- Afrexim	106,344	84,843	106,344	84,843
	1,194,857	1,090,596	1,185,527	1,081,216
FVTPL equity instrument				
- Africa Finance Corporation	3,250,000	2,620,200	3,250,000	2,620,200
	3,250,000	2,620,200	3,250,000	2,620,200
	4,444,857	3,710,796	4,435,527	3,701,416

¹ Unified Payment Services Limited was formerly known as Valucard Nigeria Plc

Except for African Finance Corporation (AFC) that is held for trading, all other equity investments are designated at FVOCI. The Bank received dividend income of ₦149,858,000 (Dec 2018: ₦224,631,000) from the equity investments designated at FVOCI during the year. Kindly refer to Note 6e for the movement in the value of equity securities at fair value during the year.

(b) The FVPL notes relates to non-interest bearing credit linked note contract entered into by the Bank during the period with a counterparty which simultaneously hedged the exposure to FX risk in a foreign financial instrument.

(c) Movement in Impairment on investment securities

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening balance	635,226	-	288,335	-
Impact of IFRS 9 adoption	-	272,080	-	275,305
Addition during the year	-	363,146	-	13,030
Reversal during the year	(165,341)	-	(232,207)	-
Closing balance	469,885	635,226	56,128	288,335

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27 Assets pledged as collateral

(a)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Financial assets held for trading				
- Treasury bills	246,106	485,431	-	-
Investment Securities - FVOCI (See note (c) below):				
- Treasury bills	57,798,568	56,298,638	57,798,568	56,298,638
12 months ECL on pledged assets	(7,819)	(6,899)	(7,819)	(6,899)
Total Investment Securities - FVOCI	57,790,749	56,291,739	57,790,749	56,291,739
Total Assets Pledged as Collateral	58,036,855	56,777,170	57,790,749	56,291,739
Current	58,036,855	56,751,661	57,790,749	56,291,739
Non-current	-	25,509	-	-

(b) Assets pledged as collateral for both periods relate to assets pledged to Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS), Nigerian Interbank Settlement System (NIBSS), Interswitch Nigeria Limited, Unified payment Services Ltd and Bank Of Industries Limited for collections and other transactions. The Bank is required to pledge the funds in order to have continuous access to the collection and settlement platforms, as well as the underlying transactions. There are no readily determinable associated liabilities to these pledged assets.

(c) Gross Treasury Bills pledged as collateral of ₦57,798,568,000 (December 2018: ₦56,298,638,000) have been reclassified from treasury bills FVOCI.

(d) Assets pledged as collateral are based on prices in an active market.

(e) Movement in Impairment on pledged assets

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening balance	6,899	-	6,899	-
Impact of IFRS 9 adoption	-	7,960	-	7,960
Addition during the year	920	-	920	-
Reversal during the year	-	(1,061)	-	(1,061)
Closing balance	7,819	6,899	7,819	6,899

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28 Loans and advances to banks

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Loans and advances to banks	1,581,489	2,997,306	81,205	48,738
Less Impairment:				
Stage 1 Loans	(60,155)	(39)	(730)	(39)
Stage 2 Loans	(5)	-	(5)	-
Stage 3 Loans	(8,019)	(2,625)	(8,019)	(2,625)
	1,513,310	2,994,642	72,451	46,074
Current	1,513,310	2,994,642	72,451	46,074
Non-current	-	-	-	-

Reconciliation of allowance accounts for losses on loans and advances to banks

Dec-2019

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 1 January 2019	39	-	2,625	2,664
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	2,000	-	-	2,000
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances	58,116	5	5,394	63,515
	60,155	5	8,019	68,179

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 1 January 2019	39	-	2,625	2,664
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances	691	5	5,394	6,090
	730	5	8,019	8,754

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Collective allowance for impairment	Total	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 31 December 2017 per IAS 39	1,630	1,630	-	-	-	-
IFRS 9 Reclassifications	(1,630)	(1,630)	1,630	-	-	1,630
IFRS 9 Adjustments	-	-	5,698	912	3,097	9,707
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	-	-	7,328	912	3,097	11,337
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances	-	-	(7,289)	(912)	5,695	(2,506)
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	(6,167)	(6,167)
	-	-	39	-	2,625	2,664

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Collective allowance for impairment	Total	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 31 December 2017 per IAS 39	1,630	1,630	-	-	-	-
IFRS 9 Reclassifications	(1,630)	(1,630)	1,630	-	-	1,630
IFRS 9 Adjustments	-	-	5,698	912	3,097	9,707
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	-	-	7,328	912	3,097	11,337
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances	-	-	(7,289)	(912)	(472)	(8,673)
	-	-	39	-	2,625	2,664

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	Loans			Overdrafts			Others			Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	
In thousands of Nigerian Naira													
Balance at 1 January	-	1,637	1,637	39	-	988	1,027	-	-	39	-	2,625	2,564
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	2,000	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances	58,040	(110)	57,930	76	5	5,504	5,585	-	-	58,116	5	5,394	63,515
Balance, end of year	60,040	1,527	61,567	115	5	6,492	6,612	-	-	60,155	5	8,019	68,179

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	Loans			Overdrafts			Others			Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	
In thousands of Nigerian Naira													
Balance at 1 January	-	-	-	7,328	912	3,097	11,337	-	-	7,328	912	3,097	11,337
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances	-	1,637	1,637	(7,289)	(912)	4,058	(4,143)	-	-	(7,289)	(912)	5,695	(2,506)
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	(6,167)	(6,167)	-	-	-	-	(6,167)	(6,167)
Balance, end of year	-	1,637	1,637	39	-	988	1,027	-	-	39	-	2,625	2,564

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans			Overdrafts			Others			Total				
	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans		
	-	-	1,637	39	-	988	-	-	-	39	-	2,625		
Balance at 1 January			1,637			1,027						2,664		
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances	615	-	(110)	76	5	5,504	-	-	-	691	5	5,394		
Balance, end of year	615	-	1,527	115	5	6,492	-	-	-	730	5	8,019		
													2,664	
														6,090

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Loans			Overdrafts			Others			Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	
	-	-	-	7,328	912	3,097	-	-	-	7,328	912	3,097	
Balance at 1 January			-			11,337							
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances	-	-	1,637	(7,289)	(912)	(2,109)	-	-	-	(7,289)	(912)	(472)	
Balance, end of year	-	-	1,637	39	-	988	-	-	-	39	-	2,625	
													11,337
													(8,673)

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29 Loans and advances to customers

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Loans to individuals:				
Loans	189,960,935	142,630,600	141,654,126	92,103,624
Overdrafts	15,334,947	12,301,713	13,723,877	10,711,696
Others ¹	70,364	51,966	-	-
Gross loans	205,366,246	154,984,279	155,378,003	102,815,320
Loans	(1,044,129)	(1,916,492)	(516,377)	(16,169)
Overdrafts	(483,894)	(23,055)	(119,406)	(21,370)
Others ¹	-	-	-	-
Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	(1,528,023)	(1,939,547)	(635,783)	(37,539)
Loans	(46,233)	(35,515)	(1,726)	(332)
Overdrafts	(108,747)	(20,123)	(52,237)	(20,116)
Others ¹	-	-	-	-
Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	(154,980)	(55,638)	(53,963)	(20,448)
Loans	(3,234,052)	(3,199,913)	(2,821,813)	(2,817,927)
Overdrafts	(2,887,650)	(2,185,578)	(2,868,550)	(2,183,327)
Others ¹	(1,124)	-	-	-
Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	(6,122,826)	(5,385,491)	(5,690,363)	(5,001,254)
Loans	(4,324,414)	(5,151,920)	(3,339,916)	(2,834,428)
Overdrafts	(3,480,291)	(2,228,756)	(3,040,193)	(2,224,813)
Others ¹	(1,124)	-	-	-
Total impairment	(7,805,829)	(7,380,676)	(6,380,109)	(5,059,241)
Loans	185,636,521	137,478,680	138,314,210	89,269,196
Overdrafts	11,854,656	10,072,957	10,683,684	8,486,883
Others ¹	69,240	51,966	-	-
Carrying amount	197,560,417	147,603,603	148,997,894	97,756,079
Loans to Non-individuals:				
Loans	1,207,788,617	997,775,648	1,094,986,500	878,193,363
Overdrafts	117,818,159	157,566,940	70,530,750	129,223,296
Others ¹	36,784,509	48,748,824	36,170,993	48,748,824
Gross loans	1,362,391,285	1,204,091,412	1,201,688,243	1,056,165,483
Loans	(4,736,305)	(4,904,087)	(3,907,089)	(4,431,267)
Overdrafts	(2,122,903)	(560,642)	(552,233)	(492,606)
Others ¹	(88,744)	(217,869)	(88,744)	(217,869)
Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	(6,947,952)	(5,682,598)	(4,548,066)	(5,141,742)
Loans	(5,994,255)	(8,143,678)	(5,328,688)	(8,058,286)
Overdrafts	(638,076)	(3,080,889)	(133,714)	(3,055,774)
Others ¹	(41,424)	-	(41,424)	-
Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	(6,673,755)	(11,224,567)	(5,503,826)	(11,114,060)
Loans	(25,477,432)	(31,601,089)	(21,460,405)	(26,001,613)
Overdrafts	(20,168,214)	(44,040,086)	(18,352,534)	(43,528,812)
Others ¹	(112,303)	(136,316)	(659)	(136,316)
Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	(45,757,949)	(75,777,491)	(39,813,598)	(69,666,741)
Loans	(36,207,992)	(44,648,854)	(30,696,182)	(38,491,166)
Overdrafts	(22,929,193)	(47,681,617)	(19,038,481)	(47,077,192)
Others ¹	(242,471)	(354,185)	(130,827)	(354,185)
Total impairment	(59,379,656)	(92,684,656)	(49,865,490)	(85,922,543)
Loans	1,171,580,625	953,126,794	1,064,290,318	839,702,197
Overdrafts	94,888,966	109,885,323	51,492,269	82,146,104
Others ¹	36,542,038	48,394,639	36,040,166	48,394,639
Carrying amount	1,303,011,629	1,111,406,756	1,151,822,753	970,242,940
Total carrying amount (individual and non individual)	1,500,572,046	1,259,010,359	1,300,820,647	1,067,999,019
¹ Others include Usances and Usances Settlement				
Current	891,922,862	722,380,821	749,501,387	600,797,993
Non-current	608,649,184	536,629,538	551,319,260	467,201,026

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	1,939,547	55,638	5,385,491	7,380,676
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	34,962	13,185	3,086	51,233
Net impairment allowances due to origination/ derecognition of financial instruments	868,910	515,057	1,405,864	2,789,831
Transfer between stages	(1,315,396)	(428,900)	1,744,296	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	(2,415,911)	(2,415,911)
Balance, end of year	1,528,023	154,980	6,122,826	7,805,829

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	37,539	20,448	5,001,254	5,059,241
Net impairment allowances due to origination/ derecognition of financial instruments	598,244	33,515	1,134,055	1,765,814
Transfer between stages	-	-	-	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	(444,946)	(444,946)
Balance, end of year	635,783	53,963	5,690,363	6,380,109

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Specific allowance for impairment	Collective allowance for impairment	Total	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 31 December 2017 per IAS 39	1,309,374	2,298,763	3,608,137	-	-	-	-
IFRS 9 Reclassifications	(1,309,374)	(2,298,763)	(3,608,137)	2,298,763	-	1,309,374	3,608,137
IFRS 9 Adjustments	-	-	-	(537,740)	1,038,782	5,221,928	5,722,970
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	-	-	-	1,761,023	1,038,782	6,531,302	9,331,107
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	-	-	-	40,256	(329,259)	(208,777)	(497,780)
Net impairment allowances due to origination/ derecognition of financial instruments	-	-	-	1,779,127	144	(380,487)	1,398,784
Transfer between stages	-	-	-	(1,640,859)	(654,029)	2,294,888	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	(2,851,435)	(2,851,435)
Balance, end of year	-	-	-	1,939,547	55,638	5,385,491	7,380,676

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Specific allowance for impairment	Collective allowance for impairment	Total	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 31 December 2017 per IAS 39	392,090	2,228,509	2,620,599	-	-	-	-
IFRS 9 Reclassifications	(392,090)	(2,228,509)	(2,620,599)	2,228,509	-	392,090	2,620,599
IFRS 9 Adjustments	-	-	-	(558,582)	674,333	4,950,973	5,066,724
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	-	-	-	1,669,927	674,333	5,343,063	7,687,323
Net impairment allowances due to origination/ derecognition of financial instruments	-	-	-	8,471	144	212,070	220,685
Transfer between stages	-	-	-	(1,640,859)	(654,029)	2,294,888	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	(2,848,767)	(2,848,767)
Balance, end of year	-	-	-	37,539	20,448	5,001,254	5,059,241

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	5,682,596	11,224,567	75,777,491	92,684,654
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	(42,343)	64,051	2,844,738	2,866,446
Net impairment allowances due to origination/ derecognition of financial instruments	(333,820)	(4,478,576)	534,475	(4,277,921)
Recovery	-	-	-	-
Transfer between stages	1,641,519	(136,287)	(1,505,232)	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	(31,893,523)	(31,893,523)
Balance, end of year	6,947,952	6,673,755	45,757,949	59,379,656

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	5,141,742	11,114,060	69,666,741	85,922,543
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	-	-	182,274	182,274
Net impairment allowances due to origination/ derecognition of financial instruments	(593,676)	(5,610,234)	(1,576,238)	(7,780,148)
Transfer between stages	-	-	-	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	(28,459,178)	(28,459,178)
Balance, end of year	4,548,066	5,503,826	39,813,599	49,865,491

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Specific allowance for impairment	Collective allowance for impairment	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 31 December 2017 per IAS 39	47,605,013	16,576,560	64,181,573	-	-	-	-
IFRS 9 Reclassifications	(47,605,013)	(16,576,560)	(64,181,573)	16,576,560	-	47,605,013	64,181,573
IFRS 9 Adjustments	-	-	-	2,235,486	57,953,409	78,794,279	138,983,174
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	-	-	-	18,812,046	57,953,409	126,399,292	203,164,747
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	-	-	-	(297,179)	(596,953)	(935,097)	(1,829,229)
Net impairment allowances due to origination/ derecognition of financial instruments	-	-	-	9,910	483,120	3,017,177	3,510,207
Transfer between stages	-	-	-	(12,842,181)	(46,615,009)	59,457,190	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	(112,161,071)	(112,161,071)
Balance, end of year	-	-	-	5,682,596	11,224,567	75,777,491	92,684,654

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Specific allowance for impairment	Collective allowance for impairment	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
Balance at 31 December 2017 per IAS 39	42,022,563	15,635,545	57,658,108	-	-	-	-
IFRS 9 Reclassifications	(42,022,563)	(15,635,545)	(57,658,108)	15,635,545	-	42,022,563	57,658,108
IFRS 9 Adjustments	-	-	-	2,047,903	57,245,949	77,098,966	136,392,818
Balance at 1 January 2018 per IFRS 9	-	-	-	17,683,448	57,245,949	119,121,529	194,050,926
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	280,456	280,456
Net impairment allowances due to origination/ derecognition of financial instruments	-	-	-	300,475	483,120	508,698	1,292,293
Transfer between stages	-	-	-	(12,842,181)	(46,615,009)	59,457,190	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	(109,701,132)	(109,701,132)
Balance, end of year	-	-	-	5,141,742	11,114,060	69,666,741	85,922,543

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	Loans				Overdrafts				Others				Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
In thousands of Nigerian Naira																
Balance at 1 January	1,916,492	35,515	3,199,913	5,151,920	23,055	20,123	2,185,578	2,228,756	-	-	-	-	1,939,547	55,638	5,385,491	7,380,676
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	23,890	3,933	1,630	29,453	11,072	9,252	1,455	21,779	-	-	1	1	34,962	13,185	3,086	51,233
Increase/ (reversal) in impairment allowances due to derecognition	419,143	423,375	(658,421)	184,097	449,767	91,682	2,062,800	2,604,249	-	-	1,485	1,485	868,910	515,057	1,405,864	2,789,831
Transfer between stages	(1,315,396)	(416,590)	1,731,986	-	-	(12,310)	12,310	-	-	-	(362)	(362)	(1,315,396)	(428,900)	1,744,296	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	(1,041,056)	(1,041,056)	-	-	(1,374,493)	(1,374,493)	-	-	(362)	(362)	-	-	(2,415,911)	(2,415,911)
Balance, end of year	1,044,129	46,233	3,234,052	4,324,414	483,894	108,747	2,887,650	3,480,291	-	-	1,124	1,124	1,528,023	154,980	6,122,826	7,805,829

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	Loans				Overdrafts				Others				Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
In thousands of Nigerian Naira																
Balance at 1 January	1,694,921	260,207	1,104,053	3,059,181	66,102	778,575	5,427,249	6,271,926	-	-	-	-	1,761,023	1,038,782	6,531,302	9,331,107
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	39,777	(210,174)	(124,050)	(294,447)	479	(119,085)	(84,727)	(203,333)	-	-	-	-	40,256	(329,259)	(208,777)	(497,780)
Increase/ (reversal) in impairment allowances due to derecognition	1,822,653	639,511	(73,393)	2,388,771	(43,526)	(639,367)	(307,094)	(989,987)	-	-	-	-	1,779,127	144	(380,487)	1,398,784
Transfer between stages	(1,640,859)	(654,029)	2,294,888	-	-	-	(2,849,850)	(2,849,850)	-	-	-	-	(1,640,859)	(654,029)	2,294,888	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	(1,585)	(1,585)	-	-	(2,849,850)	(2,849,850)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,851,435)	(2,851,435)
Balance, end of year	1,916,492	35,515	3,199,913	5,151,920	23,055	20,123	2,185,578	2,228,756	-	-	-	-	1,939,547	55,638	5,385,491	7,380,676

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Reconciliation of allowance accounts for losses on loans and advances to INDIVIDUALS (Cont'd)

Parent Dec-2019

	Loans				Overdrafts				Others				Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
In thousands of Nigerian Naira																
Balance at 1 January	16,169	332	2,817,927	2,834,428	21,370	20,116	2,183,327	2,224,813	-	-	-	-	37,539	20,448	5,001,254	5,059,241
Increase (reversal) in impairment allowances due to derecognition	500,208	1,394	3,886	505,488	98,036	32,121	1,130,169	1,260,326	-	-	-	-	598,244	33,515	1,134,055	1,765,814
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	-	(444,946)	(444,946)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(444,946)	(444,946)
Balance, end of year	516,377	1,726	2,821,813	3,339,916	119,406	52,237	2,868,550	3,040,193	-	-	-	-	635,783	53,963	5,690,363	6,380,109

Parent Dec-2018

	Loans				Overdrafts				Others				Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
In thousands of Nigerian Naira																
Balance at 1 January	1,604,908	27,571	398,034	2,030,513	65,019	646,762	4,945,029	5,656,810	-	-	-	-	1,669,927	674,333	5,343,063	7,687,323
Increase (reversal) in impairment allowances due to derecognition	52,120	626,790	125,005	803,915	(43,649)	(626,646)	87,065	(583,230)	-	-	-	-	8,471	144	212,070	220,685
Transfer between stages	(1,640,859)	(654,029)	2,294,888	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,640,859)	(654,029)	2,294,888	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,848,767)	(2,848,767)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,848,767)	(2,848,767)
Balance, end of year	16,169	332	2,817,927	2,834,428	21,370	20,116	2,183,327	2,224,813	-	-	-	-	37,539	20,448	5,001,254	5,059,241

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Reconciliation of allowance accounts for losses on Loans to NON - INDIVIDUALS

Group Dec-2019	Loans				Overdrafts				Others				Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
In thousands of Nigerian Naira																
Balance at 1 January	4,904,087	8,143,678	31,601,089	44,648,854	560,642	3,080,889	44,040,086	47,681,617	217,869	-	136,316	354,185	5,682,598	11,224,567	75,777,491	92,684,656
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	(28,865)	57,889	1,664,700	1,693,724	(12,938)	6,162	1,173,504	1,166,728	(541)	-	6,533	5,992	(42,344)	64,051	2,844,737	2,866,444
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances due to derecognition	(1,203,398)	(2,056,479)	(5,038,017)	(8,297,894)	1,029,167	(2,422,097)	5,590,915	4,197,985	(159,591)	-	(18,422)	(178,013)	(333,822)	(4,478,576)	534,476	(4,277,922)
Transfer between stages	1,064,481	(109,409)	(838,142)	116,930	546,032	(26,878)	(663,396)	(144,242)	31,007	-	(3,695)	27,312	1,641,520	(136,287)	(1,505,233)	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	(1,912,199)	(1,912,199)	-	-	(29,972,895)	(29,972,895)	-	-	(8,429)	(8,429)	-	-	(31,893,523)	(31,893,523)
Balance, end of year	4,736,305	5,994,255	25,477,432	36,249,415	2,122,903	638,076	20,168,214	22,929,193	88,744	-	112,303	201,047	6,947,952	6,673,755	45,757,948	59,379,655

Group Dec-2018	Loans				Overdrafts				Others				Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment	Impairment on Stage 1 - 12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2 - Life Time ECL Not Credit Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
In thousands of Nigerian Naira																
Balance at 1 January	12,629,270	44,905,258	67,681,222	125,215,750	6,033,702	12,781,333	58,704,482	77,519,517	149,074	266,818	13,588	429,480	18,812,046	57,953,409	126,399,292	203,164,747
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	(256,465)	(433,103)	(226,459)	(916,027)	(29,320)	(163,850)	(706,451)	(899,621)	(11,394)	-	(2,187)	(13,581)	(297,179)	(596,953)	(935,097)	(1,829,229)
Increase/(reversal) in impairment allowances due to derecognition	55,779	92,476	4,226,731	4,374,986	(13,991)	545,397	(1,338,895)	(807,489)	(31,876)	(154,753)	129,341	(57,288)	9,912	483,120	3,017,177	3,510,209
Transfer between stages	(7,524,497)	(36,420,953)	(39,054,550)	(83,000,000)	(5,429,749)	(10,081,991)	98,511,740	83,000,000	112,065	(112,065)	-	-	(12,842,181)	(46,615,009)	59,457,190	-
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	(1,025,855)	(1,025,855)	-	-	(111,130,790)	(111,130,790)	-	-	(4,426)	(4,426)	-	-	(112,161,071)	(112,161,071)
Balance, end of year	4,904,087	8,143,678	31,601,089	44,648,854	560,642	3,080,889	44,040,086	47,681,617	217,869	-	136,316	354,185	5,682,598	11,224,567	75,777,491	92,684,656

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Reconciliation of allowance accounts for losses on Loans to NON - INDIVIDUALS (Cont'd)

Parent
Dec-2019

	Loans			Overdrafts			Others			Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Cred- It Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Cred- It Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Cred- It Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Cred- It Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
In thousands of Nigerian Naira													
Balance at 1 January	4,431,267	8,058,286	26,001,613	492,606	3,055,774	43,528,812	217,869	-	136,316	354,185	-	85,922,543	
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	-	-	182,274	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	182,274	
Increase/ (reversal) in impairment allowances due to derecognition	(524,178)	(2,729,598)	(4,723,482)	59,627	(2,922,060)	3,282,901	(129,125)	41,424	(135,657)	(223,358)	(1,576,238)	(7,780,148)	
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	(28,459,178)	88,744	41,424	659	130,827	(28,459,178)	(28,459,178)	
Balance, end of year	3,907,089	5,328,688	21,460,405	552,233	133,714	18,352,535	88,744	41,424	659	130,827	39,813,599	49,865,491	

Parent
Dec-2018

	Loans			Overdrafts			Others			Total			
	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Cred- It Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3- Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Cred- It Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Cred- It Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Impairment on Stage 1-12 Months ECL	Impairment on Stage 2- Life Time ECL Not Cred- It Impaired	Impairment on Stage 3 - Non Performing Loans	Total allowance for impairment
In thousands of Nigerian Naira													
Balance at 1 January	11,655,289	44,391,980	64,646,215	5,922,355	12,587,151	54,474,818	105,804	266,818	496	373,118	-	194,050,926	
Foreign currency translation and other adjustments	-	-	280,456	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	280,456	
Increase/ (reversal) in impairment allowances due to derecognition	300,475	87,259	129,492	-	550,614	243,386	-	(154,753)	135,820	(18,933)	508,698	1,292,293	
Transfer between stages	(7,524,497)	(36,420,953)	(39,054,550)	(5,429,749)	(10,081,991)	98,511,740	112,065	(112,065)	-	-	(109,701,132)	(109,701,132)	
Financial assets derecognised	-	-	-	-	-	(109,701,132)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Balance, end of year	4,431,267	8,058,286	26,001,613	492,606	3,055,774	43,528,812	217,869	-	136,316	354,185	69,666,741	85,922,543	

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30 Investment in subsidiaries

a (i) Investment in subsidiaries comprises:

	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
	% ownership	% ownership	₦'000	₦'000
GTB Gambia	77.81	77.81	574,278	574,278
GTB Sierra Leone	83.74	83.74	594,109	594,109
GTB Ghana	98.32	98.32	18,142,127	18,142,127
GTB UK Limited	100.00	100.00	9,597,924	9,597,924
GTB Liberia Limited	99.43	99.43	1,947,264	1,947,264
GTB Cote D'Ivoire Limited	100.00	100.00	5,077,458	5,077,458
GTB Kenya Limited	70.00	70.00	17,131,482	17,131,482
GTB Tanzania	70.00	70.00	2,749,390	2,749,390
			55,814,032	55,814,032
Non-current			55,814,032	55,814,032

a (i) The movement in investment in subsidiaries during the year is as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Balance, beginning of the year	55,814,032	46,207,004
Additions during the year	-	9,607,028
Balance, end of the year	55,814,032	55,814,032

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Condensed results of consolidated entities

(b) Condensed results of the consolidated entities as at 31 December 2019, are as follows:

Full year profit and loss

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Staff Investment Trust	GTB Finance B.V.	GT Bank Ghana	GT Bank Sierra Leone	GT Bank Liberia	GT Bank UK	GT Bank Gambia	GT Bank Cote D'Ivoire	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Tanzania
Operating income	1,891,361	82,587	33,888,890	7,899,997	5,284,267	6,436,662	4,229,217	3,173,009	11,638,104	326,255
Operating expenses	-	-	(10,711,152)	(3,470,553)	(2,959,696)	(5,392,963)	(2,577,063)	(1,727,673)	(7,994,976)	(894,563)
Loan impairment charges	(939,145)	-	(597,452)	(722,593)	(370,731)	(58,224)	(132,883)	(132,640)	(670,806)	(4,835)
Profit before tax	952,216	82,587	22,580,286	3,706,851	1,953,840	985,475	1,519,271	1,312,696	2,972,322	(573,143)
Taxation	-	-	(6,932,732)	(1,153,882)	(488,615)	(147,941)	(410,205)	(42,483)	(613,701)	-
Profit after tax from continuing operations	952,216	82,587	15,647,554	2,552,969	1,465,225	837,534	1,109,066	1,270,213	2,358,621	(573,143)
Loss after tax from discontinued operations	-	(16,385)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	952,216	66,202	15,647,554	2,552,969	1,465,225	837,534	1,109,066	1,270,213	2,358,621	(573,143)

OTHER NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Condensed financial position Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Staff Investment Trust	GTB Finance B.V.	GT Bank Ghana	GT Bank Sierra Leone	GT Bank Liberia	GT Bank UK	GT Bank Gambia	GT Bank Cote D'Ivoire	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Tanzania
Assets										
Cash and bank balances	236,461	-	27,912,490	16,975,572	7,214,382	134,998,215	12,963,225	3,516,631	26,743,190	220,248
Loans and advances to banks	-	-	-	-	-	216,358	-	-	-	1,224,502
Loans and advances to customers	-	-	37,515,874	16,778,353	24,261,536	30,330,016	7,713,958	8,162,287	74,435,337	1,396,018
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	28,768,413	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities:										
- Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	40,288,462	-	-	-	-	35,265,886	22,974,485	9,330	31,410,616	-
- Held at amortised cost	-	-	104,830,946	9,997,463	1,137,271	-	2,966,834	14,057,600	10,139,260	428,275
Assets pledged as collateral	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	246,106	-
Restricted deposits and other assets	1,300,000	-	11,670,562	636,170	5,752,697	573,700	398,307	2,119,095	2,675,504	209,992
Property and equipment	-	-	4,330,998	705,365	2,415,608	820,695	2,607,801	2,446,650	4,442,935	1,371,441
Intangible assets	-	-	254,240	31,550	59,600	-	110,714	52,534	1,238,984	345,375
Deferred tax assets	-	-	92,483	45,341	-	390,797	-	-	1,727,950	-
Total assets	41,824,923	-	215,376,006	45,169,814	40,841,094	202,595,667	49,735,324	30,364,127	153,059,882	5,195,851
Financed by:										
Deposits from banks	-	-	15,897,679	-	-	117,283,836	-	69,137	8,172,052	177,532
Deposits from customers	-	-	141,559,884	33,239,816	29,484,485	65,859,894	42,422,284	20,309,437	110,624,646	2,277,904
Current income tax liabilities	-	-	151,489	118,012	492,426	(5,258)	92,340	-	-	-
Other liabilities	11,081,822	-	4,337,507	1,782,641	889,769	1,675,121	1,200,323	2,395,138	4,144,305	110,121
Other borrowed funds	1,427,528	-	-	-	257,344	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	-	-	243,459	-	124,662	59,603	104,539	-	279,546	-
Total liabilities	12,509,350	-	162,190,018	35,140,469	31,248,686	184,873,196	43,819,486	22,773,712	123,220,549	2,565,557
Equity and reserve	29,315,573	-	53,185,988	10,029,345	9,592,408	17,722,471	5,915,838	7,590,415	29,839,333	2,630,294
Total liabilities and equity	41,824,923	-	215,376,006	45,169,814	40,841,094	202,595,667	49,735,324	30,364,127	153,059,882	5,195,851

OTHER NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Condensed cash flow Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Staff Investment Trust	GTB Finance B.V.	GT Bank Ghana	GT Bank Sierra Leone	GT Bank Liberia	GT Bank UK	GT Bank Gambia	GT Bank Cote D'Ivoire	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Tanzania
Net cash flow:										
- from operating activities	(45,087,207)	(8,748)	22,978,027	6,412,803	2,433,277	(13,978,237)	5,223,009	4,817,724	15,755,540	(646,154)
- from investing activities	44,417,616	-	(49,921,569)	(3,108,467)	(1,128,530)	407,342	(6,317,816)	(3,537,843)	(13,212,932)	691,053
- from financing activities	710,191	-	(398,467)	(832,511)	(509,989)	-	(269,578)	-	-	-
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	40,600	(8,748)	(27,342,009)	2,471,825	794,758	(13,570,895)	(1,364,385)	1,279,881	2,542,608	44,899
Cash balance, beginning of year	195,861	8,611	61,983,571	16,428,420	6,353,309	141,716,358	14,729,744	2,240,276	24,035,996	171,330
Effect of exchange difference	-	137	(6,704,867)	(1,922,892)	66,316	6,852,752	(402,135)	(3,527)	400,382	4,019
Cash balance, end of year	236,461	-	27,936,695	16,977,353	7,214,383	134,998,215	12,963,224	3,516,630	26,978,986	220,248

OTHER NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Condensed results of the consolidated entities of the GT Bank Kenya Group as at 31 December 2019, are as follows:

Profit and loss

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Uganda	GT Bank Rwanda
Operating income	6,305,967	1,700,945	3,866,987
Operating expenses	(4,188,006)	(1,535,692)	(2,394,255)
Loan impairment charges	(377,121)	49,699	(343,384)
Profit before tax	1,740,840	214,952	1,129,348
Taxation	(522,255)	(91,446)	-
Profit after tax	1,218,585	123,506	1,129,348

Condensed financial position

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Uganda	GT Bank Rwanda
Assets			
Cash and bank balances	4,934,991	9,470,002	12,338,197
Loans and advances to customers	48,664,699	8,310,035	17,460,603
Investment securities:			
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	31,410,616	-	-
– Held at amortised cost	1,835,634	2,777,671	5,525,955
Assets pledged as collateral	-	246,106	-
Restricted deposits and other assets	1,514,083	277,759	580,937
Investment in subsidiaries	12,129,937	-	-
Property and equipment	2,078,695	792,749	1,988,589
Intangible assets	542,611	264,472	353,530
Deferred tax assets	1,049,172	678,778	-
Total assets	104,160,438	22,817,572	38,247,811
Financed by:			
Deposits from banks	7,762,241	265	409,546
Deposits from customers	62,726,528	18,144,021	29,754,097
Other liabilities	1,911,018	814,955	1,418,332
Deferred tax liabilities	126,931	-	152,615
Total liabilities	72,526,718	18,959,241	31,734,590
Equity and reserve	31,633,720	3,858,331	6,513,221
	104,160,438	22,817,572	38,247,811

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Condensed results of the consolidated entities as at 31 December 2018, are as follows:

Dec-2018	Staff Investment Trust	GTB Finance B.V.	GT Bank Ghana		GT Bank Sierra Leone		GT Bank Liberia		GT Bank UK		GT Bank Gambia		GT Bank Cote D'Ivoire		GT Bank Kenya		GT Bank Tanzania		
	In thousands of Nigerian Naira																		
	Condensed profit and loss																		
	Operating income	2,971,759	-	24,093,031	7,500,629	5,453,321	6,626,197	3,763,755	2,090,208	12,618,143	122,184								
	Operating expenses	(3,251,871)	-	(8,533,659)	(3,091,315)	(2,768,997)	(5,190,124)	(2,600,834)	(1,617,036)	(8,130,160)	(784,080)								
	Loan impairment charges	-	-	964,987	(338,955)	(941,427)	(1,297)	(67,551)	(6,167)	(3,009,692)	(3,374)								
	Profit before tax	(280,112)	-	16,524,359	4,070,359	1,742,897	1,434,776	1,095,370	467,005	1,478,291	(665,270)								
	Taxation	-	-	(4,858,722)	(1,210,251)	(433,150)	(271,106)	(294,967)	-	(589,458)	-								
	Profit after tax	(280,112)	-	11,665,637	2,860,108	1,309,747	1,163,670	800,403	467,005	888,833	(665,270)								
	Other comprehensive income net of tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	134,819	-								
	Total comprehensive income for the year	(280,112)	-	11,665,637	2,860,108	1,309,747	1,163,670	800,403	467,005	1,023,652	(665,270)								

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Condensed results of the consolidated entities as at 31 December 2018, are as follows:

	Staff Investment Trust	GTB Finance B.V.	GT Bank Ghana	GT Bank Sierra Leone	GT Bank Liberia	GT Bank UK	GT Bank Gambia	GT Bank Cote D'Ivoire	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Tanzania
In thousands of Nigerian Naira										
Assets										
Cash and bank balances	195,861	8,611	61,983,571	16,428,420	6,353,309	141,716,358	14,729,744	2,240,276	24,035,996	171,330
Loans and advances to banks	-	-	-	-	-	993,658	-	1,250,684	-	704,226
Loans and advances to customers	-	2,591,823	31,614,790	16,906,300	27,841,700	35,016,568	5,092,777	5,498,482	69,417,339	340,860
Financial assets held for trading	-	-	2,394,661	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities:										
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	45,700,820	-	-	-	-	34,274,921	21,278,347	9,380	20,893,047	-
– Held at amortised cost	-	-	65,158,703	7,902,263	437,081	-	-	12,073,606	10,065,326	979,256
Assets pledged as collateral	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25,509	459,922	-
Other assets	-	-	5,033,424	412,812	3,083,712	460,879	456,037	776,583	3,288,144	246,803
Property and equipment	-	-	3,574,734	1,177,818	2,331,227	784,487	2,647,558	1,177,808	2,370,291	1,461,461
Intangible assets	-	-	147,488	-	63,565	-	107,104	59,094	1,453,357	330,421
Deferred tax assets	-	-	90,781	-	-	394,118	-	-	1,684,921	-
Total assets	45,896,681	2,600,434	169,998,152	42,827,613	40,110,594	213,640,989	44,311,567	23,111,422	133,668,343	4,234,357
Financed by:										
Deposits from banks	-	-	1	-	1,076,370	125,514,278	-	6,275	3,786,638	-
Deposits from customers	-	-	123,886,741	31,966,306	27,750,526	69,827,785	36,699,364	15,787,505	101,211,088	1,004,994
Current income tax liabilities	-	-	(81,418)	129,181	449,354	-	38,136	-	(395,614)	-
Other liabilities	9,869,968	-	2,395,285	991,109	1,131,555	1,813,807	2,138,766	828,585	1,436,017	88,108
Other borrowed funds	717,337	-	450,290	-	755,292	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	-	-	138,228	16,647	-	-	139,951	-	439,132	-
Total liabilities	10,587,305	-	126,789,127	33,103,243	31,163,097	197,155,870	39,016,217	16,622,365	106,477,261	1,093,102
Equity and reserve	35,309,376	2,600,434	43,209,025	9,724,370	8,947,497	16,485,119	5,295,350	6,489,057	27,191,082	3,141,255
45,896,681	2,600,434	169,998,152	42,827,613	40,110,594	213,640,989	44,311,567	23,111,422	133,668,343	4,234,357	

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Staff Investment Trust	GTB Finance B.V.	GT Bank Ghana	GT Bank Sierra Leone	GT Bank Liberia	GT Bank UK	GT Bank Gambia	GT Bank Cote D'Ivoire	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Tanzania
Condensed cash flow										
Net cash flow:										
- from operating activities	(47,291,431)	-	33,932,631	2,854,627	(2,050,299)	8,774,803	10,400,338	4,208,201	3,097,881	(136,265)
- from investing activities	48,051,131	-	(3,699,927)	163,546	2,065,883	(4,848,193)	(4,209,603)	(5,041,461)	2,539,712	(881,096)
- from financing activities	(711,168)	-	(1,906,543)	(36,188)	(511,956)	(4,595)	(2,896)	-	(7,243,277)	-
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	48,532	-	28,326,161	2,981,985	(496,372)	3,922,015	6,187,839	(833,260)	(1,605,684)	(1,017,361)
Cash balance, beginning of year	147,329	7,948	33,957,550	13,795,410	6,459,540	135,385,632	8,240,527	3,007,428	23,970,384	1,138,938
Effect of exchange difference	-	663	(254,945)	(348,974)	390,143	2,408,710	301,378	66,107	2,046,300	49,753
Cash balance, end of year	195,861	8,611	62,028,766	16,428,421	6,353,311	141,716,357	14,729,744	2,240,275	24,411,000	171,330

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Condensed results of the consolidated entities of the GT Bank Kenya Group as at 31 December 2018, are as follows:

Profit and loss

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Uganda	GT Bank Rwanda
Operating income	5,307,605	1,624,849	3,593,314
Operating expenses	(4,121,096)	(1,978,982)	(2,405,085)
Loan impairment charges	(139,093)	(238,552)	(539,672)
Profit before tax	1,047,416	(592,685)	648,557
Taxation	(259,291)	(330,167)	-
Profit after tax	788,125	(922,852)	648,557

Condensed financial position

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	GT Bank Kenya	GT Bank Uganda	GT Bank Rwanda
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5,226,568	8,299,488	10,509,940
Loans and advances to customers	44,697,639	7,036,414	17,683,286
Investment securities:			
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	20,893,047	-	-
– Held at amortised cost	3,117,203	2,809,808	4,138,315
Assets pledged as collateral	-	459,922	-
Other assets	770,318	410,953	2,106,873
Investment in subsidiaries	11,910,240	-	-
Property and equipment	875,596	355,462	1,139,233
Intangible assets	637,420	319,601	419,385
Deferred tax assets	1,028,863	656,058	-
Total assets	89,156,894	20,347,706	35,997,032
Financed by:			
Deposits from banks	2,516,889	1,269,749	-
Deposits from customers	56,618,089	14,860,691	29,732,308
Other liabilities	386,300	603,314	446,403
Other borrowed funds	-	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	263,575	-	175,557
Total liabilities	59,784,853	16,733,754	30,354,268
Equity and reserve	29,372,041	3,613,952	5,642,764
	89,156,894	20,347,706	35,997,032

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31 Property and equipment (a)

Group

Cost

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Leasehold improvement and buildings ¹	Land ³	Furniture & equipment	Motor vehicle	Aircraft	Capital work-in progress ²	Total
Balance at 1 January 2019	62,507,128	14,327,056	90,163,092	12,291,035	12,802,852	18,495,284	210,586,447
Exchange difference	(288,954)	(57,367)	(350,836)	(163,645)	-	(66,218)	(927,020)
Additions	29,899,147	-	22,592,594	2,890,304	233,722	9,093,599	64,709,366
Disposals/Reclass	(324,975)	-	(6,211,153)	(1,511,196)	-	-	(8,047,324)
Transfers	6,926,884	1,028,281	5,078,882	173,571	-	(13,207,618)	-
Reclassifications to other assets	-	(15,297,970)	-	-	-	(34,415)	(15,332,385)
Balance at 31 December 2019	98,719,230	-	111,272,579	13,680,069	13,036,574	14,280,632	250,989,084
Balance at 1 January 2018	55,636,100	13,963,300	76,830,826	10,688,278	12,603,126	14,032,714	183,754,344
Exchange difference	328,105	24,140	709,025	102,199	-	137,714	1,301,183
Additions	4,126,662	217,859	12,626,130	2,744,107	199,726	8,436,185	28,350,669
Disposals	(31,907)	-	(1,154,877)	(1,243,549)	-	(389,415)	(2,819,748)
Transfers	2,448,168	121,758	1,151,988	-	-	(3,721,914)	-
Balance at 31 December 2018	62,507,128	14,327,057	90,163,092	12,291,035	12,802,852	18,495,284	210,586,448

¹ Of this amount as at December 2019, Leasehold improvement accounts for ₦23,731,408,000 (24.2%) while Buildings accounts for ₦74,252,530,000 (75.8%)

² Capital work in progress refers to capital expenditure incurred on items of Property, Plant and Equipment which are however not ready for use and as such are not being depreciated.

³ This relates to Property which has been reclassified to Right-of-use-assets in compliance with IFRS 16.

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Property and equipment (continued)

Group Depreciation

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Leasehold improvement and buildings	Land	Furniture & equipment	Motor vehicle	Aircraft	Capital work-in-progress	Total
Balance at 1 January 2019	15,133,561	1,257,036	65,911,583	7,957,686	8,500,666	-	98,760,532
Exchange difference	(92,934)	(5,328)	(239,770)	(98,536)	-	-	(436,568)
Charge for the year	3,484,320	-	12,504,279	1,936,358	1,906,850	-	19,831,807
Disposal	(624,540)	-	(5,617,588)	(1,447,714)	-	-	(7,689,842)
Reclassifications to other assets	-	(1,251,708)	-	-	-	-	(1,251,708)
Balance at 31 December 2019	17,900,407	-	72,558,504	8,347,794	10,407,516	-	109,214,221
Balance at 1 January 2018	12,917,085	1,078,923	57,174,036	7,219,016	6,695,286	-	85,084,346
Exchange difference	96,914	4,088	549,401	73,584	-	-	723,987
Charge for the year	2,151,469	174,024	9,342,223	1,854,001	1,805,380	-	15,327,097
Disposal	(31,907)	-	(1,154,077)	(1,188,915)	-	-	(2,374,899)
Balance at 31 December 2018	15,133,561	1,257,035	65,911,583	7,957,686	8,500,666	-	98,760,531
Carrying amounts:							
Balance at 31 December 2019	80,818,823	-	38,714,075	5,332,275	2,629,058	14,280,632	141,774,863
Balance at 31 December 2018	47,373,567	13,070,022	24,251,509	4,333,349	4,302,186	18,495,284	111,825,917

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Property and equipment (continued)

(b)

Parent

Cost

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Leasehold improvement and buildings ¹	Land ³	Furniture & equipment	Motor vehicle	Aircraft	Capital work-in-progress ²	Total
Balance at 1 January 2019	51,185,367	13,409,632	73,617,701	9,004,521	12,802,852	17,275,940	177,296,013
Additions	25,916,930	-	20,278,507	2,363,467	233,722	7,217,568	56,010,194
Disposals/Reclass	-	-	(4,058,000)	(1,091,294)	-	-	(5,149,294)
Transfers	5,954,859	1,028,281	4,950,956	158,625	-	(12,092,721)	-
Reclassifications to other assets	-	(14,437,913)	-	-	-	-	(14,437,913)
Balance at 31 December 2019	83,057,156	-	94,789,164	10,435,319	13,036,574	12,400,787	213,719,000
Balance at 1 January 2018	47,090,253	13,071,574	63,179,252	8,018,350	12,603,126	11,490,298	155,452,853
Additions	2,900,978	216,300	10,991,043	1,839,680	199,726	7,639,865	23,787,592
Disposals	-	-	(1,090,923)	(853,509)	-	-	(1,944,432)
Transfers	1,194,136	121,758	538,329	-	-	(1,854,223)	-
Balance at 31 December 2018	51,185,367	13,409,632	73,617,701	9,004,521	12,802,852	17,275,940	177,296,013

¹ Of this amount as at December 2019, Leasehold improvement accounts for ₦20,116,186,000 (24.2%) while Buildings accounts for ₦62,940,964,000 (75.8%)

² Capital work in progress refers to capital expenditure incurred on items of Property, Plant and Equipment which are however not ready for use and as such are not being depreciated.

³ This relates to Property which has been reclassified to Right-of-use-assets in compliance with IFRS 16.

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Property and equipment (continued)

Parent Depreciation

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Leasehold improvement and buildings	Land	Furniture & equipment	Motor vehicle	Aircraft	Capital work-in - progress	Total
Balance at 1 January 2019	11,676,256	1,143,927	53,704,321	5,970,305	8,500,666	-	80,995,475
Charge for the year	2,322,507	-	10,588,699	1,522,358	1,906,850	-	16,340,414
Disposal	-	-	(4,057,891)	(1,048,509)	-	-	(5,106,400)
Reclassifications to other assets	-	(1,143,927)	-	-	-	-	(1,143,927)
Balance at 31 December 2019	13,998,763	-	60,235,129	6,444,154	10,407,516	-	91,085,562
Balance at 1 January 2018	10,223,589	970,173	47,093,776	5,490,231	6,695,286	-	70,473,055
Charge for the year	1,452,667	173,754	7,701,465	1,321,491	1,805,380	-	12,454,757
Disposal	-	-	(1,090,920)	(841,417)	-	-	(1,932,337)
Balance at 31 December 2018	11,676,256	1,143,927	53,704,321	5,970,305	8,500,666	-	80,995,475
Carrying amounts:							
Balance at 31 December 2019	69,058,393	-	34,554,035	3,991,165	2,629,058	12,400,787	122,633,438
Balance at 31 December 2018	39,509,111	12,265,705	19,913,380	3,034,216	4,302,186	17,275,940	96,300,538

(c) The Bank and Group had capital commitments of ₦284,851,000 (31 December 2018: ₦973,990,000) as at the reporting date in respect of authorized and contractual capital projects.

(d) There were no capitalised borrowing costs related to the acquisition of plant and equipment during the year (2018: nil)

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(32) Intangible assets

(a)

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Goodwill	Purchased Software	Total
Cost			
Balance at 1 January 2019	8,682,937	19,796,914	28,479,851
Exchange translation differences	1,419	8,786	10,205
Additions	-	6,692,435	6,692,435
Disposals	-	(223,040)	(223,040)
Balance at 31 December 2019	8,684,356	26,275,095	34,959,451
Balance at 1 January 2018	8,675,928	15,748,774	24,424,702
Exchange translation differences	7,009	314,381	321,390
Additions	-	3,733,759	3,733,759
Balance at 31 December 2018	8,682,937	19,796,914	28,479,851
Amortization and impairment losses			
Balance at 1 January 2019	-	12,077,230	12,077,230
Exchange translation differences	-	(3,916)	(3,916)
Amortization for the year	-	2,860,832	2,860,832
Disposals	-	(219,927)	(219,927)
Balance at 31 December 2019	-	14,714,219	14,714,219
Balance at 1 January 2018	-	9,589,748	9,589,748
Exchange translation differences	-	185,303	185,303
Amortization for the year	-	2,302,179	2,302,179
Balance at 31 December 2018	-	12,077,230	12,077,230
Carrying amounts:			
Balance at 31 December 2019	8,684,356	11,560,876	20,245,232
Balance at 31 December 2018	8,682,937	7,719,684	16,402,621

Goodwill is reviewed annually for impairment, or more frequently when there are indications that impairment may have occurred. There was no impairment identified in the year ended December 2019 (2018: nil).

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(b) Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Purchased Software
Cost	
Balance at 1 January 2019	14,528,575
Additions	6,210,780
Balance at 31 December 2019	20,739,355
Balance at 1 January 2018	11,593,688
Additions	2,934,888
Balance at 31 December 2018	14,528,576
Amortization and impairment losses	
Balance at 1 January 2019	8,892,970
Amortization for the year	2,300,132
Balance at 31 December 2019	11,193,102
Balance at 1 January 2018	7,092,393
Amortization for the year	1,800,577
Balance at 31 December 2018	8,892,970
Carrying amounts:	
Balance at 31 December 2019	9,546,253
Balance at 31 December 2018	5,635,606

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(c) Impairment testing for cash-generating units containing Goodwill

For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired through business combinations is allocated to each of the cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units that is expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination.

Goodwill is allocated to the Cash Generating Units (CGUs) as shown below:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-19	Dec-18
Cash Generating Units		
Rest of West Africa:		
- Corporate Banking	41,274	35,699
- Commercial Banking	4,774	6,906
- Retail Banking	13,302	15,326
East Africa:		
- Corporate Banking	5,998,039	5,314,976
- Commercial Banking	693,839	1,028,198
- Retail Banking	1,933,126	2,281,831
	8,684,355	8,682,936

No impairment loss on goodwill was recognised during the year ended 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: nil).

The recoverable amounts for the CGUs have been determined based on value-in-use calculations, using cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by senior management covering a five-year period and appropriate discount rates.

Cash Flow Forecasts

The cash flow projections are based on future cash flows and the 5-year business plan appropriately approved by senior management. Cash flows to perpetuity were estimated using a 10-year average growth of GDP in the countries where the subsidiaries operate; 4.2 per cent and 6.1 per cent for CGUs in West Africa and East Africa regions respectively. These constant growth rates are based on the long term forecast of GTBank's growth in the countries in which the CGU's operate centred on past performance, current industry trend and management's expectations of market development. The forecast period is based on the Group's medium to long term perspective with respect to the operations of these units.

Valuation Assumptions and Other Disclosures

For each of the CGUs to which the goodwill was allocated, the key assumptions used in Value-in-use calculations are as follows:

The recoverable amounts of the East Africa region for which goodwill were allocated have been based on their value in use which were determined by discounting the projected cash flows generated by the segments in the region with the weighted discount rate of 18.47% derived using CAPM approach. It would require over ₦2.15 million change in the recoverable amount of the most vulnerable CGU (East Africa – Commercial) before goodwill allocated to the identified CGU can be assumed impaired.

1 basis point increase in the discount rate will make the recoverable amount of the East Africa region Commercial segment equal to its carrying amount.

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2019-Key Assumptions	Rest of West Africa			East Africa		
	Corporate	Commercial	Retail	Corporate	Commercial	Retail
Revenue Growth Rate (%)	42.8%	43.8%	44.3%	5.7%	5.7%	5.7%
Operating Income Growth Rate (%)	46.3%	46.8%	48.3%	0.5%	0.5%	2.00%
Other Operating Costs (₦Million)	23,643	2,735	7,620	4,945	572	1,594
Capital Expenditure (₦Million)	15,494	1,792	4,994	1,362	158	439
Recoverable Amount (₦Million)	281,641	32,580	90,771	22,599	2,614	7,283
Long Term Growth Rate (%)	4%- 5%	4%- 5%	4%- 5%	6%- 7%	6%- 7%	6%- 7%
Discount Rate (%)	25.39%	25.39%	25.39%	18.47%	18.47%	18.47%

2018-Key Assumptions	Rest of West Africa			East Africa		
	Corporate	Commercial	Retail	Corporate	Commercial	Retail
Revenue Growth Rate (%)	55.6%	56.6%	57.1%	11.1%	11.9%	13.4%
Operating Income Growth Rate (%)	58.6%	59.1%	60.6%	15.7%	16.9%	17.1%
Other Operating Costs (₦Million)	70,351	13,610	30,203	6,805	1,317	2,922
Capital Expenditure (₦Million)	8,170	1,580	3,507	1,227	237	527
Recoverable Amount (₦Million)	127,743	24,712	54,821	20,375	3,942	8,747
Long Term Growth Rate (%)	4%- 5%	4%- 5%	4%- 5%	6%- 7%	6%- 7%	6%- 7%
Discount Rate (%)	22.02%	22.02%	22.02%	12.48%	12.48%	12.48%

The key assumptions described above may change as economic and market conditions change. The Group estimates that reasonably possible changes in these assumptions are not expected to cause the recoverable amount of the subsidiaries (from which the goodwill arose) to decline below their carrying amount.

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33 Deferred tax assets and liabilities

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following:

Group

Deferred tax assets

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019			Dec-2018		
	Assets	Liabilities	Net	Assets	Liabilities	Net
Property and equipment, and software	2,164,087	-	2,164,087	2,169,819	-	2,169,819
Allowances for loan losses	92,483	-	92,483	-	-	-
Net deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	2,256,570	-	2,256,570	2,169,819	-	2,169,819
				Dec-2019	Dec-2018	
Deferred tax assets:						
-Deferred tax assets to be recovered within 12 months				92,483	-	
-Deferred tax assets to be recovered after more than 12 months				2,164,087	2,169,819	

Group

Deferred tax liabilities

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019			Dec-2018		
	Assets	Liabilities	Net	Assets	Liabilities	Net
Property and equipment, and software	-	19,711,487	19,711,487	-	14,153,584	14,153,584
Fair value reserves	-	403,172	403,172	874,103	-	(874,103)
Allowances for loan losses	3,222,713	-	(3,222,713)	1,553,797	-	(1,553,797)
Defined benefit obligation/actuarial loss	1,837,460	-	(1,837,460)	1,069,948	-	(1,069,948)
Revaluation gain and other assets	4,485,952	-	(4,485,952)	3,579,780	-	(3,579,780)
Foreign currency translation difference	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net deferred tax (assets)/liabilities	9,546,125	20,114,659	10,568,534	7,077,628	14,153,584	7,075,956
				Dec-2019	Dec-2018	
Deferred tax assets:						
-Deferred tax assets to be recovered within 12 months				9,546,125	7,077,628	
Deferred tax liabilities:						
-Deferred tax liabilities to be recovered within 12 months				2,615,784	1,556,894	
-Deferred tax liabilities to be recovered after more than 12 months				17,498,875	12,596,690	

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Parent Deferred Tax Liabilities

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019			Dec-2018		
	Assets	Liabilities	Net	Assets	Liabilities	Net
Property and equipment, and software	-	18,899,678	18,899,678	-	13,419,627	13,419,627
Fair value reserves	-	403,172	403,172	874,103	-	(874,103)
Allowances for loan losses	3,222,713	-	(3,222,713)	1,553,797	-	(1,553,797)
Defined benefit obligation/actuarial loss	1,837,460	-	(1,837,460)	1,069,948	-	(1,069,948)
Revaluation gain and other assets	1,948,791	-	(1,948,791)	2,743,219	-	(2,743,219)
Net deferred tax (assets)/liabilities	7,008,964	19,302,850	12,293,886	6,241,067	13,419,627	7,178,560
				Dec-2019	Dec-2018	
Deferred tax assets						
-Deferred tax assets to be recovered within 12 months				7,008,964	6,241,067	
Deferred tax liabilities						
-Deferred tax liabilities to be recovered within 12 months				2,526,486	1,476,159	
-Deferred tax liabilities to be recovered after more than 12 months				16,776,365	11,943,468	

Movements in deferred tax assets during the year

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Property and equipment, and software	Fair value reserves	Allowances for loan losses	Mark to market loss on valuation of securities	Defined benefit obligation	Revaluation gain and Other assets	Foreign currency translation difference	Total
Balance at 1 January 2019	2,169,819	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,169,819
Recognised in profit or loss	(5,732)	-	92,483	-	-	-	-	86,751
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2019	2,164,087	-	92,483	-	-	-	-	2,256,570

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Movements in deferred tax liabilities during the year

Group

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
	Property and equipment, and software	Fair value reserves	Allowances for loan losses	Mark to market loss on valuation of securities	Defined benefit obligation	Revaluation gain and Other assets	Foreign currency translation difference	Total
Balance at 1 January 2019	14,153,585	(874,104)	(1,553,797)	-	(1,069,948)	(3,579,780)	-	7,075,956
IFRS 16 adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	(23,439)	-	(23,439)
Exchange difference	(173,677)	648,860	95,197	-	-	(795,102)	(327,587)	(552,309)
Recognised in profit or loss	5,731,579	(810,349)	(1,764,113)	-	(139,351)	(87,631)	2,524,469	5,454,604
Other comprehensive income	-	1,438,764	-	-	(628,161)	-	(2,196,882)	(1,386,279)
Balance at 31 December 2019	19,711,487	403,171	(3,222,713)	-	(1,837,460)	(4,485,952)	-	10,568,533

Movements in deferred tax assets during the year

Group

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
	Property and equipment, and software	Fair value reserves	Allowances for loan losses	Mark to market loss on valuation of securities	Defined benefit obligation	Revaluation gain and Other assets	Foreign currency translation difference	Total
Balance at 1 January 2018	1,666,990	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,666,990
Recognised in profit or loss	502,829	-	-	-	-	-	-	502,829
Balance at 31 December 2018	2,169,819	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,169,819

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Movements in deferred tax liabilities during the year

Group

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
	Property and equipment, and software	Fair value reserves	Allowances for loan losses	Mark to market loss on valuation of securities	Defined benefit obligation	Revaluation gain and Other assets	Foreign currency translation difference	Total
Balance at 1 January 2018	10,889,410	1,355,995	(5,359,705)	-	(641,268)	6,447,873	4,745,461	17,437,766
Exchange difference	(86,481)	648,860	92,787	-	-	(1,984,517)	(9,485,517)	(10,814,868)
Recognised in profit or loss	3,350,656	(775,326)	3,713,121	-	(357,002)	(8,043,136)	1,230,534	(881,153)
Other comprehensive income	-	(2,103,633)	-	-	(71,678)	-	3,509,522	1,334,211
Balance at 31 December 2018	14,153,585	(874,104)	(1,553,797)	-	(1,069,948)	(3,579,780)	-	7,075,956

Parent

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
	Property and equipment, and software	Fair value reserves	Allowances for loan losses	Mark to market loss on valuation of securities	Defined benefit obligation	Revaluation gain and Other assets	Foreign currency translation difference	Total
Balance at 1 January 2019	13,419,628	(874,103)	(1,553,797)	-	(1,069,948)	(2,743,219)	-	7,178,561
Exchange difference	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
IFRS 16 adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	(23,439)	-	(23,439)
Recognised in profit or loss	5,480,052	-	(1,668,916)	-	(139,351)	817,866	-	4,489,651
Other comprehensive income	-	1,277,274	-	-	(628,161)	-	-	649,113
Balance at 31 December 2019	18,899,680	403,171	(3,222,713)	-	(1,837,460)	(1,948,792)	-	12,293,886

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Parent
Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira								
	Property and equipment, and software	Fair value reserves	Allowances for loan losses	Mark to market loss on valuation of securities	Defined benefit obligation	Revaluation gain and Other assets	Foreign currency translation difference	Total
Balance at 1 January 2018	10,373,412	1,355,995	(5,359,705)	-	(641,268)	6,447,873	-	12,176,307
Exchange difference	-	-	-	-	-	(796,848)	-	(796,848)
Recognised in profit or loss	3,046,216	-	3,805,908	-	(357,002)	(8,394,244)	-	(1,899,122)
Other comprehensive income	-	(2,230,098)	-	-	(71,678)	-	-	(2,301,776)
Balance at 31 December 2018	13,419,628	(874,103)	(1,553,797)	-	(1,069,948)	(2,743,219)	-	7,178,561

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34 Restricted deposits and other assets

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Repossessed collaterals	11,036,061	8,439,161	8,439,161	8,439,161
Prepayments	35,576,690	24,415,996	25,981,006	12,146,851
Accounts Receivable	14,445,319	20,885,923	6,816,192	20,885,923
Foreign Banks - cash collateral	15,855,099	13,731,769	15,800,229	13,731,769
Restricted deposits with central banks (See note 34(i) below)	443,652,883	416,107,467	443,636,961	414,667,717
Contribution to AGSMEIS (See note 34(ii) below)	22,752,062	14,406,074	22,752,062	14,406,074
Recognised assets for defined benefit obligations (See note 39)	10,799,957	11,012,687	10,799,957	11,012,687
	554,118,071	508,999,077	534,225,568	495,290,182
Right-Of-Use Assets (See note 34(iii) below)	23,580,802	-	18,143,188	-
	577,698,873	508,999,077	552,368,756	495,290,182
Impairment on other assets (See note 34(iv) below)	(265,867)	(320,375)	(263,001)	(320,375)
	577,433,006	508,678,702	552,105,755	494,969,807
Current	542,146,605	497,666,015	522,617,077	483,957,120
Non-current	35,286,401	11,012,687	29,488,678	11,012,687

(i) Restricted deposits with central banks are not available for use in the Group's day-to-day operations. The Bank had restricted balances of ₦443,636,961,000 with the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) as at 31 December 2019 (December 2018: ₦414,667,717,000). This balance is CBN cash reserve requirement. The cash reserve ratio represents a mandatory total Naira deposits which should be held with the Central Bank of Nigeria as a regulatory requirement.

Medium Enterprises Investment Scheme aimed at supporting the Federal Government's effort at promoting agricultural businesses as well as Small and Medium Enterprises. It is an initiative of the Bankers' Committee in which Banks are required to set aside 5% of their Profit After Tax for investment in qualified players. The fund is domiciled with the Central Bank of Nigeria.

(ii) This represents contribution to Agri-Business/Small and

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(iii) Right-of-use-assets¹

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening balance	-	-	-	-
Reclassification from Prepayments	6,751,459	-	5,092,389	-
Reclassification from PPE	13,178,503	-	12,426,227	-
IFRS 16 Adjustment	73,215	-	73,215	-
Additions during the year	5,691,632	-	1,472,967	-
Amortisation during the year	(2,071,840)	-	(879,443)	-
Short term leases recognised on a straight-line basis as expense	(42,167)	-	(42,167)	-
Closing balance	23,580,802	-	18,143,188	-

IFRS 16 "Leases" became effective on January 1, 2019. The new standard required a Lessee in a lease contract to recognise Right-of-use-assets for all types of leases and this must be amortised through P&L. For the Group and Parent, the right-of-use assets relates to Property and lease rentals on branches. The amortisation during the year is shown in Note 18. Lease rentals was reported as part of Prepayments in Other Assets before the introduction of the new standard. As at Dec 2018, unamortised lease rentals amounting to ₦5,092,389,000 and ₦6,751,459,000 was included in Prepayments for the Parent and Group respectively.

Reclassification from PPE relates to Property which until January 1, 2019 was carried as an item of PPE but was reclassified to Right-of-Use Assets during the year in full compliance with IFRS 16 (Leases).

(iv) Movement in impairment of other financial assets:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening Balance	320,375	126,846	320,375	126,846
Charge/(reversal) for the year	(54,508)	193,529	(57,374)	193,529
Closing Balance	265,867	320,375	263,001	320,375

34 Assets classified as held for sale and discontinued operations

(b)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	-	3,220
Other assets ¹	-	-	-	935,725
Total assets of disposal group	-	-	-	938,945

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Liabilities classified as held for sale and discontinued operations

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Other borrowed funds ¹	-	-	-	935,725
Total liabilities of disposal group	-	-	-	935,725
Net assets of disposal group	-	-	-	3,220

¹ This relates to \$2.6million loan given by GTB Finance BV to the Parent which was re-invested into GTB Finance BV. These balances were eliminated on consolidation.

Loss from discontinued operations

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Revenues	56	-	-	-
Expenses	(16,441)	-	-	-
Loss before tax from discontinued operations	(16,385)	-	-	-
Tax	-	-	-	-
Loss from discontinued operations after tax	(16,385)	-	-	-

Discontinued operation relates to winding down of GTB Finance B.V. Netherlands (the Structured Entity). The Group established the Structured Entity to raise funds from the international financial market. The Bank, however, substituted the liability during 2018 financial year before its maturity and the Structured Entity was carried as Held For Sale. The final dissolution took place during the year.

35 Deposits from banks

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Money market deposits	22,439,806	4,640,988	-	721,071
Other deposits from banks	85,078,592	78,162,059	15,200	14,858
	107,518,398	82,803,047	15,200	735,929
Current	107,518,398	82,803,047	15,200	735,929
Non-current	-	-	-	-

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36 Deposits from customers

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Retail customers:				
Term deposits	170,607,419	171,715,702	126,067,457	122,363,332
Current deposits	426,371,243	358,612,519	357,866,791	262,896,491
Savings	676,354,756	571,714,465	580,888,269	475,052,168
Corporate customers:				
Term deposits	211,770,999	195,263,989	165,762,456	160,007,356
Current deposits	1,047,435,967	976,596,468	856,225,097	845,496,825
	2,532,540,384	2,273,903,143	2,086,810,070	1,865,816,172
Current	2,531,213,037	2,265,812,606	2,086,801,362	1,865,760,385
Non-current	1,327,347	8,090,537	8,708	55,787

37 Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Bond short positions	-	107,560	-	107,560
Treasury bills short positions	1,615,735	1,757,859	1,615,735	1,757,859
	1,615,735	1,865,419	1,615,735	1,865,419
Current	1,615,735	1,865,419	1,615,735	1,865,419
Non-current	-	-	-	-

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38 Other liabilities

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Restated Parent Dec-2018
Cash settled share based payment liability (Note 38(c))	11,081,822	9,869,968	-	-
Lease liabilities (Note 38(f))	5,275,289	-	151,396	-
Liability for defined contribution obligations (Note 38(a))	402,749	4,316	33	33
Deferred income on financial guarantee contracts	91,554	140,403	34,874	31,583
Litigation claims provision (Note 38(d))	250,665	91,720	189,870	91,720
Certified cheques	5,799,807	8,745,128	4,909,666	5,094,684
Customers' deposit for foreign trade (Note 38(b))	16,626,361	14,429,129	16,393,689	13,992,994
Customers' escrow balances	120,397,846	64,119,085	119,851,339	64,119,085
Account payables	33,542,379	27,861,859	30,351,050	28,724,792
Creditors and agency services	33,032,814	7,027,157	27,417,104	2,352,860
Customers deposit for shares of other Corporates	462,115	1,057,854	462,115	1,057,854
Impairment on contingents (Note 38(e))	6,462,312	7,100,889	6,056,692	6,713,128
	233,425,713	140,447,508	205,817,828	122,178,733
Current	215,329,151	119,089,414	199,326,183	108,820,874
Non-current	18,096,562	21,358,094	6,491,645	13,357,859

- (a) The Bank and its employees each contribute a minimum of 10% and 8% respectively of basic salary, housing and transport allowance to each employee's retirement savings account maintained with their nominated pension fund administrators.
- (b) This represents the Naira value of foreign currencies held on behalf of customers in various foreign accounts to cover letters of credit transactions. The corresponding balance is included in Foreign Banks - Cash Collateral in other assets.
- (c) Movements in the number of share options outstanding and their related weighted average exercise prices are as follows:

	Dec-2019		Dec-2018	
	Average Exercise Price Per Share	Share Rights (thousands)	Average Exercise Price Per Share	Share Rights (thousands)
At 1 January	27.12	363,918	22.54	378,859
Granted	17.41	23,436	15.52	33,652
Exercised	30.08	(21,900)	36.12	(48,593)
As at end of the year	30.32	365,454	27.12	363,918

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The total unit of shares of the scheme stood at 1,356,514,000 as at December 2019 (Dec 2018: 1,318,246,000), out of which 365,454,000 (Dec 2018: 363,918,000) have been granted. Out of the 365,454,000 Share Appreciation Right (SARs) granted as at December 2019 (Dec 2018: 363,918,000 SARs), 272,723,000 SARs (Dec 2018: 271,741,000) have met the vesting criteria. SARs exercised in 2019 resulted in 21,900,000 shares (Dec 2018: 48,593,000) being granted at a weighted average price of ₦30.08 each (Dec 2018: ₦36.12 each)

The fair value of SAR was determined using a multi-factor model which entails using average share price for vested shares and multiple combination of 5.71% probability of exits, number of employees years in the scheme and in the organisation for non-vested shares.

As at 31st December 2019, the impact of the SAR on the statement of financial position of the Group stood at ₦11,081,822,000 (2018: ₦9,869,968,000).

The Share Appreciation Right is a cash settled share based compensation scheme managed by a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) - Guaranty Trust Bank Staff Investment Trust. The scheme was introduced as a compensation plan for the bank's qualifying personnel to enhance employee retention, by offering the shares acquired by the SPV to qualifying members of staff at the prevailing net book value of the bank. Under the terms of the plan, the shares vest only if a member has spent 10 years in the bank, 5 years in the scheme and the purchased shares are up to 3 years old from the date of purchase. Upon exit if a member meets vesting conditions, the shares would be repurchased from the staff by the scheme.

The liability for the SARs is measured, initially and at the end of each reporting period until settled, at the fair value of the SARs, by applying an option pricing model, taking into account the terms and conditions on which the SARs were granted, and the extent to which the employees have rendered services to date. The expected life used in the model has been adjusted based on management's best estimate for the effects of exercise restrictions (including the probability of meeting market conditions attached to the option), and behavioural considerations. Expected volatility is based on the historical share price volatility over the past 3 years.

As at 31 Dec 2019, the impact of the SAR on the statement of financial position of the Group stood at ₦11,081,822,000 (2018: ₦9,869,968,000). Of this amount, the liability on vested but unexercised SARs was ₦9,586,920,000 (2018: ₦8,629,921,000). The impact on the income statement for the year ended 31 Dec 2019 stood at ₦803,836,000 (2018: ₦809,857,000)

Share options outstanding at the end of the year have the following expiry date and exercise prices:

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Grant-Vest	Exercise price		Share options (thousands of Naira)	
	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
2004-2009	35.08	31.59	4,063,147	4,001,69
2004-2017	33.40	29.26	143,705	125,901
2005-2010	32.19	28.07	584,916	510,071
2005-2013	33.33	29.67	783,676	697,593
2006-2011	33.08	29.89	176,687	153,687
2006-2014	34.80	31.13	340,331	304,425
2007-2012	33.11	29.51	884,831	773,832
2007-2013	31.62	28.86	99,937	87,044
2007-2014	32.91	28.68	158,626	283,829
2007-2015	33.89	30.38	67,778	57,731
2007-2016	29.49	26.33	234,497	285,449
2008-2013	31.08	27.40	511,383	418,860
2008-2014	31.12	28.34	79,468	66,717
2008-2015	30.22	26.79	95,424	79,121
2008-2017	32.83	29.33	63,021	69,455
2009-2014	29.70	26.89	109,748	92,416
2009-2015	27.48	31.76	19,126	15,403
2008-2026	23.97	-	10,359	-
2010-2015	25.77	26.81	32,184	23,458
2010-2016	31.42	27.77	95,173	79,852
2010-2017	35.15	29.16	35,650	55,814
2010-2018	28.87	25.83	61,591	49,945
2010-2019	35.15	29.22	78,782	65,486
2011-2016	27.73	24.59	578,444	446,388
2011-2017	32.68	29.88	50,280	41,478
2011-2018	32.13	29.26	64,254	54,133
2011-2019	26.09	20.85	80,997	61,504
2011-2020	24.85	19.60	52,178	37,235
2012-2017	27.62	23.91	147,687	113,689
2012-2018	31.11	24.63	25,199	19,951
2012-2021	31.40	26.54	9,419	7,961
2019-2024	4.99	-	17,546	-
2013-2018	26.24	22.04	345,609	261,680
2014-2019	25.80	19.92	230,227	155,264
2014-2022	17.12	18.87	6,787	3,708
2015-2020	24.05	16.74	232,780	142,164
2015-2022	25.25	15.03	63,117	34,574
2015-2023	16.49	14.50	8,957	5,228
2015-2024	13.31	7.05	1,185	627
2016-2021	17.66	8.92	341,450	138,373
2016-2025	10.37	5.34	13,450	5,875
2017-2022	10.13	6.35	46,060	26,573
2017-2023	9.25	5.43	1,849	1,087
2018-2026	5.37	4.01	513	201
2018-2023	6.83	4.18	33,793	14,490
			11,081,822	9,869,968

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- (d) Provision for litigation arose from the assessment carried out by the Solicitors of the Bank of all the pending litigations the Bank was involved in as at December 31, 2019. Please see Note 43 for further information on Litigations.

Movement in provision for litigation claims during the year is as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening Balance	91,720	178,710	91,720	178,710
Increase/(reversal) during the year	158,945	(86,990)	98,150	(86,990)
Closing Balance	250,665	91,720	189,870	91,720

This relates to provision on pending cases that the bank is currently involved in. Please refer to Note 43 for more information. Timing of resulting outflows of economic resources with respect to the provision can not readily be determined.

(e) Movement in impairment on contingents during the year is as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening balance	7,100,889	-	6,713,128	-
Additional impairment on initial application of IFRS 9	-	6,741,958	-	6,741,958
Effect of exchange rate fluctuation	(103,953)	-	-	-
Charge/(Reversal) for the year	(534,624)	358,931	(656,436)	(28,830)
Closing Balance	6,462,312	7,100,889	6,056,692	6,713,128

- (f) The Group leases a number of properties to serve as its branch outlets. The Group and Parent has applied 11.49% as the weighted average incremental borrowing rate to lease liability on transition date.

The period of future economic outflows of the lease liabilities is analysed below:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
1-5years	1,398,267	-	40,129	-
3-6 months	22,928	-	658	-
6-12 months	195,024	-	5,597	-
Less than 3 months	133,349	-	3,827	-
More than 5 years	3,525,722	-	101,185	-
	5,275,290	-	151,396	-

Reconciliation of lease liabilities as at the transition date:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Opening balance	-	-	-	-
Lease liabilities due to adoption of IFRS 16	5,275,290	-	151,396	-
Lease liabilities as at the date of adoption of IFRS 16	5,275,290	-	151,396	-

There were no operating lease commitments as at December 2018.

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39. Defined benefit obligations

The Bank operates a non-contributory, funded lump sum defined benefit gratuity scheme. Employees are automatically admitted into the scheme after completing 10 consecutive years of service with the Bank. Employees' terminal benefits are calculated based on number of years of continuous service, limited to a maximum of 10 years. The defined benefit obligation valuation was carried out by Alexander Forbes Consulting Actuaries.

(a) The amounts recognised in the statement of financial position are as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Present value of funded obligations	(4,030,995)	(3,327,565)	(4,030,995)	(3,327,565)
Total present value of defined benefit obligations	(4,030,995)	(3,327,565)	(4,030,995)	(3,327,565)
Fair value of plan assets	14,830,952	14,340,252	14,830,952	14,340,252
Present value of net asset/(obligations)	10,799,957	11,012,687	10,799,957	11,012,687
Recognized asset/(liability) for defined benefit obligations	10,799,957	11,012,687	10,799,957	11,012,687

The bank has a right to the surplus on its plan assets. There are no unrecognised actuarial gains and losses. The defined benefit scheme is not open to asset ceiling, therefore, there is no need to determine any difference between net defined benefit asset and asset ceiling. Recognised asset for defined benefit obligations is included within Restricted deposits and other assets in note 34

(b) Movement in the present value of defined benefit obligations:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
(Deficit)/surplus on defined benefit obligations, beginning of year	11,012,687	9,658,362	11,012,687	9,658,362
Net (Expense) / Income recognised in Profit and Loss ¹	1,736,134	1,403,286	1,736,134	1,403,286
Re-measurements recognised in Other Comprehensive Income ²	(2,093,871)	(238,928)	(2,093,871)	(238,928)
Contributions paid	145,007	189,967	145,007	189,967
(Deficit)/surplus for defined benefit obligations, end of year	10,799,957	11,012,687	10,799,957	11,012,687

¹Net (Expense) / Income recognised in Profit and Loss is analysed below:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Interest income on Net defined benefit obligation ³	1,806,441	1,472,056	1,806,441	1,472,056
Current service costs	(70,307)	(68,770)	(70,307)	(68,770)
	1,736,134	1,403,286	1,736,134	1,403,286

³Interest cost on Net Defined benefit Obligation is analysed below:

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Interest income on assets	2,351,801	1,920,510	2,351,801	1,920,510
Interest cost on defined benefit obligation	(545,360)	(448,454)	(545,360)	(448,454)
	1,806,441	1,472,056	1,806,441	1,472,056

²Remeasurements recognised in Other Comprehensive income is analysed below:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Return on plan assets, excluding amounts included in interest expense/income	(1,861,101)	(583,106)	(1,861,101)	(583,106)
Effect of Exchange rate fluctuation	-	367,916	-	367,916
Gain due to experience variance	381,392		381,392	
Loss from change in demographic assumptions	(614,162)	(23,738)	(614,162)	(23,738)
	(2,093,871)	(238,928)	(2,093,871)	(238,928)

(c) Plan assets consist of the following:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Equity securities:				
- Quoted	2,964,386	3,339,627	2,964,386	3,339,627
Government securities				
- Quoted	2,160,418	1,961,403	2,160,418	1,961,403
Offshore investments				
- Quoted	-	1,080,000	-	1,080,000
Cash and bank balances				
- Unquoted	9,706,148	7,959,222	9,706,148	7,959,222
	14,830,952	14,340,252	14,830,952	14,340,252

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019		Dec-2018	
Equity securities	2,964,386	20%	3,339,627	23%
Government securities	2,160,418	15%	1,961,403	14%
Offshore investments	-	0%	1,080,000	8%
Cash and bank balances	9,706,148	65%	7,959,222	56%
	14,830,952	100%	14,340,252	100%

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Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019		Dec-2018	
Equity securities	2,964,386	20%	3,339,627	23%
Government securities	2,160,418	15%	1,961,403	14%
Offshore investments	-	0%	1,080,000	8%
Cash and bank balances	9,706,148	65%	7,959,222	56%
	14,830,952	100%	14,340,252	100%

The defined benefit plan assets are under the management of Pension Fund Custodians - Crusader Sterling Pension Limited

The ₦2,964,386,000 equity investments of the scheme includes the Group's ordinary shares with a fair value of ₦2,766,735,000 (Dec 2018: ₦3,121,095,000). Additionally, out of the cash and bank balances of ₦9,706,148,000 an amount with a fair value of Expected contributions to post-employment benefit plans for the year ending 31 December 2020 are ₦175,384,000 (December 2019: ₦167,502,000) while gratuity payments are estimated to be ₦175,384,000 (December 2019: ₦167,502,000)

(d) Defined benefit cost for year ending December 2020 is expected to be as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Parent Dec-2020	Parent Dec-2019
Current service cost	106,961	70,307
Net Interest on Net benefit liability	(1,487,735)	(1,806,441)
Expense/(Income) recognised in profit or loss	(1,380,774)	(1,736,134)

Components of net interest on defined benefit liability for the year ending December 2020 is estimated to be as follows:

	Parent Dec-2020	Parent Dec-2019
Interest cost on defined benefit obligation	558,936	545,360
Interest income on assets	(2,046,671)	(2,351,801)
Total net interest cost	(1,487,735)	(1,806,441)

Plan assets are valued at current market value. The expected return on plan assets is determined by considering the expected returns available on the assets underlying the current investment policy. Expected yields on fixed interest investments are based on gross redemption yields as at the date of the consolidated statement of financial position.

Expected returns on equity reflect long-term real rates of return experienced in the respective markets.

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(e) Movement in plan assets:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Fair value of plan assets, beginning of the year	14,340,252	12,634,931	14,340,252	12,634,931
Contributions paid into/(withdrawn from) the plan	145,007	189,967	145,007	189,967
Benefits paid by the plan	(145,007)	(189,967)	(145,007)	(189,967)
Actuarial loss	(1,861,101)	(215,189)	(1,861,101)	(215,189)
Return on plan assets	2,351,801	1,920,510	2,351,801	1,920,510
Fair value of plan assets, end of the year	14,830,952	14,340,252	14,830,952	14,340,252

Actual return on plan asset is made up of expected return on plan assets and actuarial gains / losses

(f) Movement in present value of obligations:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Present value of obligation, beginning of the year	3,327,565	2,976,569	3,327,565	2,976,569
Interest cost	545,360	448,454	545,360	448,454
Current service cost	70,307	68,770	70,307	68,770
Benefits paid	(145,007)	(189,967)	(145,007)	(189,967)
Actuarial loss on obligation	232,770	23,739	232,770	23,739
Present value of obligation at end of the year	4,030,995	3,327,565	4,030,995	3,327,565

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(g) Actuarial assumptions

Principal actuarial assumptions at the reporting date (expressed as weighted averages):

	2019	2018
Discount rate	13.8%	16.4%
Salary increase rate	12.5%	12.5%
Inflation	14.4%	14.4%
Retirement age for both male and female	60 years	60 years
Withdrawal Rate: 18 – 29	4.5%	4.5%
Withdrawal Rate: 30 – 44	6.0%	6.0%
Withdrawal Rate: 45 – 50	5.0%	5.0%
Withdrawal Rate: 51	4.5%	4.5%
Withdrawal Rate: 52	4.0%	4.0%
Withdrawal Rate: 53	3.5%	3.5%
Withdrawal Rate: 54	3.0%	3.0%
Withdrawal Rate: 55	2.5%	2.5%
Withdrawal Rate: 56	2.0%	2.0%
Withdrawal Rate: 57	1.5%	1.5%
Withdrawal Rate: 58	1.0%	1.0%
Withdrawal Rate: 59	0.5%	0.5%
Withdrawal Rate: 60	100.0%	100.0%

Assumptions regarding future mortality before retirement are based on A1949/52 ultimate table published by the Institute of Actuaries of United Kingdom. The overall expected long-term rate of return on assets is 16.4%. The expected long-term rate of return is based on the portfolio as a whole and not on the sum of the returns on individual asset categories. The return is based entirely on current market yields on Nigerian Government Bonds. The component of the rate of remuneration increase based on seniority and promotion is an average of 12.5% per annum. The inflation component has been worked out at 14.4% per annum.

For members in active service as at the valuation date, the projected unit credit method of valuation as required under the IFRS has been adopted.

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- (h) Reasonably possible changes at the reporting date of discount rate, salary increase rate and mortality rate would have affected the defined benefit obligation by the amounts shown below:

Group

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira except percentages	Impact on defined benefit obligation		
	Change in Defined benefit obligation		
	Assumption	Increase	Decrease
Discount rate	1.00%	(3,772,387)	4,323,922
Salary increase rate	1.00%	4,333,003	(3,759,841)
Mortality rate	1 year	4,031,500	(4,030,534)

Group

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira except percentages	Impact on defined benefit obligation		
	Change in Defined benefit obligation		
	Assumption	Increase	Decrease
Discount rate	1.00%	(3,131,092)	3,546,989
Salary increase rate	1.00%	3,558,762	(3,117,582)
Mortality rate	1 year	3,330,247	(3,325,131)

Parent

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira except percentages	Impact on defined benefit obligation		
	Change in Defined benefit obligation		
	Assumption	Increase	Decrease
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Parent

Dec-2018

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	Change in	Defined benefit obligation	
	Assumption	Increase	Decrease
Discount rate	1.00%	(3,131,092)	3,546,989
Salary increase rate	1.00%	3,558,762	(3,117,582)
Mortality rate	1 year	3,330,247	(3,325,131)

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In practice, changing an actuarial assumption while holding other assumptions constant is unlikely to occur as changes in some of the assumptions may be correlated.

(i) Expected maturity analysis of undiscounted pension and post-employment benefits:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Less than 1 year	Between 1-2 years	Between 2-5 years	Over 5 years	Total
Present value of the defined benefit obligation	-	87,672	41,188	72,436,367	72,565,227
	-	87,672	41,188	72,436,367	72,565,227

(j) Historical information

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2017	Dec-2016	Dec-2015
Present value of the defined benefit obligation	(3,798,225)	(3,303,826)	(2,621,754)	(3,613,593)	(2,693,447)
Fair value of plan assets	16,692,053	14,555,441	11,441,106	9,216,954	9,131,514
Experience adjustments on plan liabilities	(232,770)	(23,739)	(354,815)	1,290,766	(484,967)
Experience adjustments on plan assets	(1,861,101)	(215,189)	1,193,825	612,175	(857,767)
Surplus/(deficit)	10,799,957	11,012,687	9,658,362	7,506,302	5,095,333

(k) Defined Benefit Risk Management

The Group's exposure to risks through its defined benefit plan is mitigated through a number of strategies. Most important of them is the asset-liability matching strategy. Thus, fluctuations in macro-economic variables have minimal impact on its exposure to the plan.

Over the years, the Group not only ensures that it has sufficient plan assets to fund its defined benefit obligation but also adopts a robust strategy that ensures that the macro-economic variables affecting the obligations are similar to those of the plan assets. The significant risks inherent in the Group's defined benefit plan are detailed below:

Asset volatility

Post employment benefit obligations are calculated using a discount rate determined with reference to market yields on high quality bonds. The Group ensures that the plan assets do not underperform this yield. This is achieved through maintaining an efficient portfolio of investments in plan assets significantly made up of high quality equities and government securities. Consequently, the yield on the Group's plan assets has consistently outperformed interest cost on plan obligations. The Group also ensures that as tenured investments in plan assets mature, they are replaced with top quality investments which better match the liabilities.

Overall, the Group's defined benefit investment strategy aims at reducing investment risks while maintaining the right mix of investments in high quality equities, debt and near cash instru-

ments void of impairment threats. The choice of investment in equities stems from the long term nature of the Group's defined benefit plan and expected maturity of the plan's liabilities.

Changes in bond yields

The rate used to discount post-employment benefit obligations is determined with reference to market yields at the balance there is no deep market in such bonds, the market yields on government bonds are used. The Group is of the opinion that there is no deep market in Corporate Bonds in Nigeria and as such assumptions underlying the determination of discount rate are referenced to the yield on Nigerian Government bonds of medium duration, as compiled by the Debt Management Organisation. A decrease in Nigerian Government Bond yields will increase the plan's liabilities. However, this growth is offset by an increase in the value of the plan assets.

Inflation risk

We believe this is less a material risk given the accretion to the Group's plan assets arising from continuous contribution to the plan and improved yield. Growth in inflation, all other things being equal, should lead to increased basic salaries (which is an important determinant of the Group's defined benefit liability) and consequently higher plan liabilities. This growth in liabilities should be offset with increased plan assets.

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40 Other borrowed funds

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Due to IFC (see note (i) below)	43,883,237	59,940,225	43,883,237	59,940,225
Due to FMO	-	450,290	-	-
Due to BOI (see note (ii) below)	32,104,591	38,396,728	32,104,591	38,396,728
Due to CACS (see note (iii) below)	16,003,270	25,172,146	16,003,270	25,172,146
Due to Proparco (see note (iv) below)	8,631,603	12,308,296	8,374,259	11,553,004
MSME Development Fund (see note (v) below)	47,391	121,393	47,391	121,393
Excess Crude Account -Secured Loans Fund (see note (vi) below)	13,860,702	14,219,713	13,860,702	14,219,713
RSSF on lending (see note (vii) below)	25,313,433	25,292,215	25,313,433	25,292,215
SANEF Intervention Fund (see note (viii) below)	1,005,100	1,000,000	1,005,100	1,000,000
NESF Fund (see note (ix) below)	1,658,801	1,665,794	1,658,801	1,665,794
Due to DBN Intervention Fund (see note (x) below)	20,491,781	-	20,491,781	-
	162,999,909	178,566,800	162,742,565	177,361,218
Current	45,394,838	51,297,699	45,137,494	50,847,409
Non-current	117,605,071	127,269,101	117,605,071	126,513,809

- (i). The amount of ₦43,833,237,000 (USD 143,686,000) (December 2018: ₦59,940,225,000 ; USD 167,062,000) represents the outstanding balance on the Tranche 4 and Tranche 5 dollar term loan granted to the Parent by the International Finance Corporation (IFC). The Tranche 4 facility was disbursed in December 2011 (USD 170,000,000) for a period of 8 years and the Tranche 5 was availed in December 2014 (USD 175,000,000) equally for a period of 8 years. The principal amount is repayable semi annually from December 2013 for Tranche 4 and December 2016 for Tranche 5. The pricing of the Tranche 4 facility is 5.5% and Libor plus 4% for the Tranche 5. Interest is paid semi annually on the two tranches.
- (ii). The amount of ₦32,104,591,000 (December 2018: ₦38,396,728,000) represents the outstanding balance on the wholesale funding granted to the Parent for the refinancing/ restructuring of SME/Manufacturing loan portfolio under the Small and Medium Enterprise Refinancing and Restructuring Fund (SMERRF) and to fast track the development of power projects and aviation sector so as to improve power supply, under the Power and Airline Intervention Fund (PAIF). The SMERRF and PAIF are administered at an all-in interest rate /charge of 7% per annum payable on a quarterly basis. The BOI is entitled to 1% management fee payable quarterly by the Parent. The Loans have a maximum life of 15 years and/or working capital facility of one year with the provision for roll over subject to a maximum tenor of 5 years. The tenor of the facilities as at the end of the period range between 5 years to 13 years.
- (iii). The amount of ₦16,003,270,000 (December 2018: ₦25,172,146,000) represents the outstanding balance on the on-lending facilities granted to the Parent by the Central Bank of Nigeria in collaboration with the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) under the Commercial Agriculture Credit Scheme (CACS). The FGN is represented by the Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (FMARD) who has the aim of providing concessionary funding for agriculture so as to promote commercial agricultural enterprises in Nigeria. The Facility is for a period of 7 years at 2% p.a cost to the Parent. The maximum interest rate to the borrowers under the Scheme is 9% p.a inclusive of all charges.
- (iv). The amount of ₦8,374,259,000 (USD 22,974,000) (December 2018: ₦11,553,004,000 ; USD 32,200,000) represents the outstanding balance on the facility granted to the Parent by PROPARCO, the private sector financing arm of Agence Francais de Development (AfD). The facilities were disbursed in two tranches with the first tranche in December 2011 (USD 50,000,000) and the second tranche in January 2015 (USD 50,000,000). The principal amount is repayable semi annually from January 2012 for the first tranche and April 2017 for the second tranche. Interest is paid on a semi-annual basis with the first tranche priced at 4.46% and second tranche at Libor plus 4.26%. The first tranche matured in January 2016 while the second tranche will mature in April 2022.

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- v). The amount of ₦47,391,000 (December 2018: ₦121,393,000) represents the outstanding balance on the on lending facility granted by the Central Bank of Nigeria targeted at the growth and development of the Micro, Small and Medium Scale sub sector of the economy by providing single digit low interest rate funds. The facility is granted at an interest rate of 2% to the Parent. The maximum rate, inclusive of all charges, to the eligible MSMEs is 9% p.a. and the tenor of the facility ranges from 1 to 3 years depending on the type of enterprise.
- vi). The amount of ₦13,860,702,000 (December 2018: ₦14,219,713,000) represents the outstanding balance on the concessionary loans granted by the Central Bank of Nigeria to State Governments for the execution of developmental and infrastructure projects. The facility is secured by the balance due to State Governments from the Excess Crude Account. The facility is priced at 2% p.a payable on a monthly basis. The loan is granted to the States at 9% p.a inclusive of all charges. The principal is repayable monthly from the Federal Account Allocation Committee (FAAC) allocation of those States as a first line charge upon the issuance of an Irrevocable Standing Payment Order (ISPO) by those States. The tenor of the facility is 20 years.
- vii). The amount of ₦25,313,433,000 (December 2018: ₦25,292,215,000) represents the outstanding balance on the Real Sector Support Facility (RSSF). The Facility is given by the Central Bank of Nigeria to support large enterprises for startups and expansion financing needs. The real sector activities targeted by the Facility are manufacturing, agricultural value chain and selected service sub-sectors. The Facility is administered at an all-in Interest rate/charge of 9% per annum payable on quarterly basis. The Central Bank of Nigeria is entitled to earn 3% as interest while the Bank makes a 6% Spread.
- xiii). The Shared Agent Network Facility (SANEF) is an intervention fund under the MSME Development Fund to provide ten (10) year loans to CBN Licensed and pre-qualified Mobile Money and Super- Agent operators for the purposes of rolling out of a Shared Agent Network. The objective of the Shared Agent Network is to deepen financial inclusion in the country with the offering of basic financial services such as Cash-in, Cash-out, Funds, Bills Payments, Airtime Purchase, Government disbursements as well as remote enrollment on BMS infrastructure (BVN). The facility is for 10 years inclusive of a 2-year moratorium on principal and 1- year moratorium on Interest. The facility is disbursed at a single digit, all-inclusive interest rate of 5% per annum.
- ix). The Non Oil Export Stimulation Facility (NESF) was introduced by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) to diversify the revenue base of the economy and promote growth of the non-oil export sector. The facility is granted at an all-inclusive interest rate of 9% p.a. payable on a quarterly basis. NESF can have a tenor of up to 10 years not exceeding 31st December, 2027 and the principal amount is repayable quarterly over the tenure of the facility.
- x). Due to DBN intervention fund is a scheme in which the Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN) availed the Parent a facility to meet the financing need of entrepreneurs in the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises sector. The facility attracts an interest rate of 9.6% per annum for 3 years tenor.

40 Reconciliation of Financial Liabilities

(b)

Group Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Debt securities issued	Long term borrowings	Finance lease
Opening Balance	-	178,566,800	-
Cash inflow - Principal	-	31,780,731	-
Cash outflow - Principal	-	(48,447,620)	-
Cash outflow - Interest	-	(9,149,396)	-
Effect of exchange rate fluctuation	-	1,103,506	-
Other non-cash	-	9,145,888	-
Closing Balance	-	162,999,909	-

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Group

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Debt securities issued	Long term borrowings	Finance lease
Opening Balance	92,131,923	220,491,914	262,599
Cash inflow - Principal	-	14,450,000	-
Cash outflow - Principal	(99,008,757)	(65,370,563)	(284,509)
Cash outflow - Interest	(5,961,669)	(9,390,710)	-
Effect of exchange rate fluctuation	7,692,523	9,603,380	21,910
Other non-cash	5,145,980	8,782,779	-
Closing Balance	-	178,566,800	-

Parent

Dec-2019

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Debt securities issued	Long term borrowings	Finance lease
Opening Balance	-	177,361,218	-
Cash inflow - Principal	-	31,780,731	-
Cash outflow - Principal	-	(47,591,449)	-
Cash outflow - Interest	-	(8,741,922)	-
Effect of exchange rate fluctuation	-	1,143,287	-
Other non-cash	-	8,790,700	-
Closing Balance	-	162,742,565	-

Parent

Dec-2018

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Debt securities issued	Long term borrowings	Finance lease
Opening Balance	92,131,923	210,671,384	262,599
Cash inflow - Principal	-	14,450,000	(284,509)
Cash outflow - Principal	(99,008,757)	(56,015,226)	-
Cash outflow - Interest	(5,961,669)	(8,739,635)	-
Effect of exchange rate fluctuation	7,692,523	8,862,991	21,910.00
Other non-cash	5,145,980	8,131,704	-
Closing Balance	-	177,361,218	-

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41 Capital and reserves

Share capital

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to vote at meetings of the Group. All ordinary shares and GDR shares rank pari-passu with the same rights and benefits at meetings of the Group.

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
(a) Authorised:				
50,000,000,000 ordinary shares of 50k each				
(31 December 2018: 50,000,000,000 of 50k each)	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
(b) Issued and fully paid:				
29,431,179,224 ordinary shares of 50 kobo each (31 December 2018: 29,431,179,224 ordinary shares of 50k each)				
	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
27,310,572,137 ordinary shares (Non-GDR) of 50k each (31 December 2018: 26,789,923,737)				
	13,655,286	13,394,962	13,655,286	13,394,962
2,120,607,087 ordinary shares (GDR) of 50k each (31 December 2018: 2,641,255,487)				
	1,060,304	1,320,628	1,060,304	1,320,628
	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590

The movement on the value of issued and fully paid-up share capital (Non GDR and GDR) account during the year was as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Balance, beginning of year	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590
Balance, end of year	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590

Share capital

Movement in the components of share capital is as shown below:

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	Number of shares (thousands)	Ordinary shares	Share premium	Treasury shares
At January 2018	29,431,180	14,715,590	123,471,114	(5,291,245)
(Purchases)/sales of treasury shares	-	-	-	(292,390)
At 31 December 2018/1 January 2019	29,431,180	14,715,590	123,471,114	(5,583,635)
(Purchases)/sales of treasury shares	-	-	-	(948,114)
At 31 December 2019	29,431,180	14,715,590	123,471,114	(6,531,749)

Share premium

Share premium is the excess paid by shareholders over the nominal value for their shares.

Other regulatory reserves

The other regulatory reserve includes movements in the statutory reserves and the small and medium enterprises equity investment reserve.

- (i) **Statutory Reserves:** Nigerian banking regulations require the Bank to make an annual appropriation to a statutory reserve. As stipulated by S.16(1) of the Banks and Other Financial Institution Act of 1991 (amended), an appropriation of 30% of 'profit after tax' is made if the statutory reserve is less than paid-up share capital and 15% of profit after tax if the statutory reserve is greater than the paid up share capital.

In the current period, the bank appropriated ₦26,268,792,000 representing 15% of its profit after tax to statutory reserves. Total statutory reserves was ₦298,877,835,000 at the end of the year.

- (ii) **Small and medium enterprises equity investment reserve (SMEEIS):** The SMEEIS reserve is maintained to comply with the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) requirement that all licensed banks set aside a portion of the profit after tax in a fund to be used to finance equity investment in qualifying small and medium scale enterprises. Under the terms of the guideline (amended by CBN letter dated 11 July 2006), the contributions will be 10% of profit after tax and shall continue after the first 5 years but banks' contributions shall thereafter reduce to 5% of profit after tax. However, this requirement is no longer mandatory. The small and medium scale industries equity investment scheme reserves are non-distributable. Total SMEEIS reserves was ₦4,232,478,000 at the end of the year.

- (iii) **Treasury shares:** Treasury shares in the sum of ₦6,531,749,000 (31 December 018: ₦5,583,635,000) represents the Bank's shares held by the Staff Investment Trust as at 31 December 2019.

- (iv) **Fair value reserve:** The fair value reserve includes the net cumulative change in the fair value of fair value through other comprehensive income investments until the investment is derecognised or impaired.

- (v) **Regulatory risk reserve:** The regulatory risk reserves warehouses the difference between the impairment balance on loans and advances as determined in accordance with the provisions of Prudential guidelines of Central Bank of Nigeria when compared with the assessment inline with the requirement of IFRS 9 Expected credit loss model. The key component of CBN Prudential Guidelines (PG) is the setting aside of additional 2% provision on all performing loans assessed under the PG. This 2% provision is not required under IFRS 9.

Therefore it has been recognised in Regulatory Risk Reserve. The Parent's total balance in Regulatory Risk Reserve is ₦62,317,634,000.

- (vi) **Retained earnings:** Retained earnings are the carried forward recognised income net of expenses plus current year profit attributable to shareholders.

- (vii) **Non-controlling interest**
The analysis of non-controlling interest per subsidiary is as shown below:

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	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018
	%	%	N'000	N'000
GTB (Gambia) Limited	22.19	22.19	1,345,364	1,163,198
GTB (Sierra Leone) Limited	16.26	16.26	1,718,292	1,575,155
GTB (Ghana) Limited	1.68	1.68	920,640	690,769
GTB Liberia	0.57	0.57	55,363	47,049
GTB Kenya Limited	30.00	30.00	8,906,873	8,025,001
GTB Tanzania	30.00	30.00	783,492	932,289
			13,730,024	12,433,461

Please refer to Note 44 for more information on the Group structure

- (viii) **Agri-Business/Small and Medium Enterprises Investment Scheme (AGSMEIS):** The AGSMEIS is maintained to support the Federal Government's effort at promoting Agricultural businesses and Small and Medium Enterprises. Effective 2017 all Deposit Money Banks (DMBs) are required to set aside 5% of their Profit After Tax for equity investment in permissible activities as stipulated in the scheme guidelines. The fund is domiciled with CBN.

(ix) **Other regulatory reserves breakdown**

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019			Total
	Statutory Reserves	SMEEIS Reserves	AGSMEIS Reserves	
Opening Balance	272,609,043	4,232,478	14,406,074	291,247,595
Total comprehensive income for the year:				
Transfers for the year	26,268,792	-	8,345,988	34,614,780
Total transactions with equity holders	26,268,792	-	8,345,988	34,614,780
Balance as at 31 December 2019	298,877,835	4,232,478	22,752,062	325,862,375

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2018			Total
	Statutory Reserves	SMEEIS Reserves	AGSMEIS Reserves	
Opening Balance	247,571,078	4,232,478	6,341,840	258,145,396
Total comprehensive income for the year:				
Transfers for the year	25,037,965	-	8,064,234	33,102,199
Total transactions with equity holders	25,037,965	-	8,064,234	33,102,199
Balance as at 31 December 2018	272,609,043	4,232,478	14,406,074	291,247,595

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42 Dividends

The following dividends were declared and paid by the Group during the year ended:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Balance, beginning of year	-	-	-	-
Final dividend declared ¹	72,452,854	70,634,830	72,106,389	70,634,830
Interim dividend declared	8,829,354	8,829,354	8,829,354	8,829,354
Payment during the year	(81,282,208)	(79,464,184)	(80,935,743)	(79,464,184)
Balance, end of year	-	-	-	-

¹This relates to the final dividend declared for the 2018 financial year.

The Bank during the year declared and paid an interim dividend of 30k per share. Subsequent to the balance sheet date, the Board of directors proposed a final dividend of 250k per share (Dec 2018: 245k per share) on the issued ordinary shares of 29,431,179,224 of 50k each.

43 Contingencies

Claims and litigation

The Bank, in its ordinary course of business, is presently involved in 512 cases as a defendant (31 December 2018: 484) and 436 cases as a plaintiff (31 December 2018: 426). The total amount claimed in the 512 cases against the Bank is estimated at ₦462.09 Billion and \$39.03 Million (31 December 2018: ₦476.03 Billion and \$39.68 Million) while the total amount claimed in the 436 cases instituted by the Bank is ₦109.30 Billion (31 December 2018: ₦111.00 Billion). However, the solicitors of the Bank are of the view that the probable liability which may arise from the cases pending against the Bank is not likely to exceed ₦189.87 Million (31 December 2018: ₦91.72 Million). This probable liability has been fully provided for by the Bank (please refer to Note 38).

Contingent liabilities and commitments

In common with other banks, the Group conducts business involving transaction related bonds and indemnities. Contingent liabilities and Commitments comprise guarantees and letters of credit.

Nature of instruments

Guarantees and letters of credit are given as security to support the performance of a customer to third parties.

As the Group will only be required to meet these obligations in the event of the customer's default, the cash requirements of these instruments are expected to be considerably below their nominal amounts.

Other contingent liabilities include transaction related customs and performances bond and are, generally, commitments to

third parties which are not directly dependent on the customer's creditworthiness.

Documentary credits commit the Group to make payments to third parties on production of documents, which is usually reimbursed immediately by customers. The following tables summarise the nominal amount of contingent liabilities and commitments with off-financial position risk.

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Acceptances, bonds, guarantees and other obligations for the account of customers:

a. These comprise:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Contingent liabilities:				
Transaction related bonds and guarantees	351,764,791	386,386,612	320,056,325	362,816,565
	351,764,791	386,386,612	320,056,325	362,816,565
Commitments:				
Clean line facilities and letters of credit	57,673,046	46,922,591	22,753,615	22,059,650
Other commitments	3,903,752	7,742,322	-	-
	61,576,798	54,664,913	22,753,615	22,059,650

- b. 50% (₦161,289,804,000) of all the transaction related bonds and guarantees are collateralised (December 2018: 63% (₦228,695,679,000)) while the balance of ₦158,766,520,000 (December 2018: ₦134,120,884,000) is non-collateralized

44. Group entities

The Group is controlled by Guaranty Trust Bank Plc “the ultimate Parent” (incorporated in Nigeria). The controlling interest of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc in the Group entities is disclosed in the table below:

i Significant subsidiaries

	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest Dec-19	NCI Dec-19	Ownership interest Dec-18	NCI Dec-18	
1	Guaranty Trust Bank Gambia Limited	Gambia	77.81%	22.19%	77.81%	22.19%
2	Guaranty Trust Bank Sierra Leone Limited	Sierra Leone	83.74%	16.26%	83.74%	16.26%
3	Guaranty Trust Bank Ghana Limited	Ghana	98.32%	1.68%	98.32%	1.68%
4	Guaranty Trust Bank UK Limited	United Kingdom	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
5	Guaranty Trust Bank Liberia Limited	Liberia	99.43%	0.57%	99.43%	0.57%
6	Guaranty Trust Bank Cote D'Ivoire S.A	Cote D'Ivoire	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
7	Guaranty Trust Bank Kenya Limited	Kenya	70.00%	30.00%	70.00%	30.00%
8	Guaranty Trust Bank Tanzania Limited	Tanzania	70.00%	30.00%	70.00%	30.00%
Special purpose entity:						
	Staff Investment Trust	Nigeria	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%

ii Indirect investment in Subsidiaries

	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest Dec-19	NCI Dec-19	Ownership interest Dec-18	NCI Dec-18	
1	Guaranty Trust Bank Rwanda Limited	Rwanda	67.20%	32.80%	67.20%	32.80%
2	Guaranty Trust Bank Uganda Limited	Uganda	70.00%	30.00%	70.00%	30.00%

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The subsidiaries and sub-subsidiaries of the Group are all involved in banking business only.

- (a) GTB Gambia was incorporated in April 2001 and commenced operations in March 2002.
- (b) GTB Sierra Leone was incorporated in September 2001 and commenced operations in January 2002.
- (c) Guaranty Trust Bank (Ghana) was incorporated in October 2004 and commenced operations in March 2006.
- (d) Guaranty Trust Bank (UK) Limited was incorporated in February 2007 and commenced operations in January 2008.
- (e) Guaranty Trust Bank (Liberia) Limited was incorporated in September 2008 and commenced operations in March 2009.
- (f) Guaranty Trust Bank (Cote D'Ivoire) is Guaranty Trust Bank Plc's first subsidiary in Francophone West Africa. The Bank was licensed by the Central Bank of Cote D'Ivoire to offer banking services to the Ivorian public and commenced operations on April 16, 2012.
- (g) The Group extended its regional presence in Africa in December 2013 by acquiring 70% stake in Fina Bank Limited, a commercial bank incorporated in Kenya with subsidiaries in Uganda and Rwanda. The bank has been re-branded as Guaranty Trust Bank Kenya Limited.
- (h) Guaranty Trust Bank (Tanzania) was incorporated in July 14th 2016 and commenced operations in December 2017 to spread its delivery of superior financial services to its East African customers.
- (i) Staff Investment Trust (SIT) is the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) set up to operate the Share-Based Payment compensation scheme of the Bank.

Significant restrictions

There are no significant restrictions (contractual or otherwise) on the Group's ability to access or use the assets and settle the liabilities of any member of the Group to the extent that regulation does not inhibit/prohibit the group from having access, and in liquidation scenario, the Group's liability will be limited to its level of investment in the entity .

Non -controlling interest of significant subsidiaries

The following relates to accumulated non-controlling interest and profit or loss allocated to non-controlling interest for significant subsidiaries for the year ended 31 December, 2019:

Significant subsidiaries	Principal place of business	Accumulated Non-controlling Interest		Profit or loss Allocated to Non-controlling Interest	
		Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18
In thousands of Nigerian Naira					
Guaranty Trust Bank Gambia Limited	Gambia	1,345,364	1,163,198	145,917	103,265
Guaranty Trust Bank Sierra Leone Ltd	Sierra Leone	1,718,292	1,575,155	230,868	236,635
Guaranty Trust Bank Ghana Limited	Ghana	916,945	690,769	142,575	108,672
Guaranty Trust Bank Liberia Limited	Liberia	55,363	47,049	4,213	5,860
Guaranty Trust Bank Kenya Limited	Kenya	8,906,873	8,025,001	358,644	169,760
Guaranty Trust Bank Tanzania Limited	Tanzania	783,492	932,289	(88,487)	(85,555)

45. Unconsolidated interests in structured entities

The table below describes the types of structured entities that the Group does not consolidate but in which it holds an interest.

Name of the entity	3 Peat Investment Ltd
Percentage holding	70%
Nature of entity	Hotel & Leisure
Purpose of investment	Government-induced investment
Activities of entity	Provision of hospitality services
Line item in SOFP	Investment securities-FVOCI***
Loans granted	₦3,012,312,000 (Dec-2018: ₦2,905,580,000)
**Maximum exposure to loss	₦3,012,312,000 (Dec-2018: ₦2,905,580,000)
Source of Financing	Equity financing and loans from financial institutions

** Maximum exposure comprises the cost of investment and total facilities granted at arm's length to the entity.

***Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income.

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The Bank does not provide financial support to the unconsolidated structured entity and has no plans to provide financial support to the entity in the future. However, the bank extended loans to the entity in the normal course of business at arm's length.

The Bank does not have the rights to direct the entity to enter into, or veto any changes to transactions for the benefit of the Bank. In addition, the bank does not exercise decision-making rights that give the bank the ability to direct the relevant activities of the entity. Furthermore, there is no inter-change of personnel between the Bank and the entity. Likewise, the Bank does not have any form of control or influence on decision making apparatus of the entity. Accordingly, the account of the entity is not consolidated.

46. Related parties

(a) Related party transactions

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise influence over the other party in making financial and operational decisions, or another party controls both. The definition includes subsidiaries, associates, joint ventures and the Group's pension schemes, as well as key management personnel.

(b) Subsidiaries

Transactions between Guaranty Trust Bank Plc and its subsidiaries also meet the definition of related party transactions. These transactions are eliminated on consolidation, hence, they are not disclosed in the consolidated financial statements but are disclosed in the books of the Bank.

The Bank has receivables from GTBank Tanzania, GTBank Sierra Leone and GTBank Gambia to the tune of ₦39,946,000, ₦1,168,000 and ₦538,000 respectively as at 31 December, 2019 (2018: GTBank Tanzania: ₦26,197,000; GTBank Ghana: ₦580,802,000; GTBank Cote D'Ivoire: ₦34,816,000). The Bank also received interest of ₦348,714,000 on its placement with GTBank UK (2018: ₦336,137,000).

The Bank also received dividend in the sum of ₦227,353,000 (Dec 2018: Nil) from GTBank Gambia and ₦360,534,000 (Dec 2018: Nil) from GTBank Sierra Leone.

(c) Transactions with key management personnel

The Group's key management personnel, and persons connected with them, are also considered to be related parties. The definition of key management include the close family members of key personnel and any entity over which they exercise control. The key management personnel have been identified as the Assistant General Managers, Deputy General Managers, General Managers, Executive and Non-Executive directors of the Group. Close family members are those family members who may be expected to influence, or be influenced by that individual in their dealings with Guaranty Trust Bank Plc and its subsidiaries.

(d) Risk assets outstanding 31 December 2019

During the period the Bank granted various credit facilities to companies whose directors are also directors of Guaranty Trust Bank Plc (Director Related) or related to a Key Management Personnel (Insider Related) at rates and terms comparable to other facilities in the Bank's portfolio. An aggregate of ₦155,615,000 (31 December 2018: ₦179,316,000) was outstanding on these facilities at the end of the year. The bank earned a sum of ₦28,658,000 (Dec 2018: ₦52,566,000) on insider related facilities during the year. The outstanding balance and status of performance of each facility is as shown below:

Name of company /individual	Relationship	Facility type	Status	Nature of Security	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
In thousands of Nigerian Naira						
Jaykay Pharmacy Ltd	Director Related	Overdraft	Performing	Mortgage Debenture	-	7,125
Mediabloc Consulting Nigeria Ltd.	Insider Related	Term Loan / Overdraft	Performing	Domiciliation; Personal Guarantee	-	4,209
Ahukanna Godson Okechukwu	Insider Related	Quick Credit	Performing		696	-
School Kits Limited	Insider Related	Time Loan / Term Loan	Performing	Tripartite Legal Mortgage, Personal Guarantee	47,249	50,208
Hassan Ibrahim	Director Related	Gt Mortgage	Performing	Legal Mortgage	69,174	58,230
Agusto, Olabode Mubasheer	Director Related	Term Loan	Performing	Legal Mortgage	38,496	59,544
					155,615	179,316

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(e) Director/insiders related deposit liabilities

Name of company/Individual	Relationship	Type of Deposit	Parent	
			Dec-2019	Dec-2018
In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
Agusto & Co. Limited	Director Related	Demand Deposit	28,930	38,122
Alliance Consulting	Director Related	Demand Deposit	167	167
Comprehensive Project Mgt. Services	Director Related	Demand Deposit	14,662	34,468
Cubic Contractors Limited	Director Related	Demand Deposit	2,194	2,194
Eterna Plc	Director Related	Demand Deposit	64,858	74,966
IBFC Limited	Director Related	Demand Deposit	50	50
Jaykay Pharmacy Limited	Director Related	Demand Deposit	50	9
Kresta Laurel Limited	Director Related	Demand/Time Deposits	219,806	226,053
Main One Cable Company Ltd	Director Related	Demand Deposit	770	814
WSTC Financial Services Ltd	Director Related	Demand/Time Deposits	186,123	150,273
WSTC Nominee Limited	Director Related	Demand Deposit	431	431
Wstc Securities Limited	Director Related	Demand Deposit	91,300	66,038
International Travel Express Ltd	Director Related	Demand Deposit	16	15
Mediabloc Consulting Nigeria Ltd.	Insider Related	Demand Deposit	26	9
Ahukanna Godson Okechukwu	Insider Related	Demand Deposit	125	-
Polystyrene Industries Ltd	Director Related	Demand Deposit	3,417	2,663
Touchdown Travels Limited	Director Related	Demand/Time Deposits	13,921	19,569
Agbaje, Olufemi Augustus	Director Related	Demand Deposit	10,553	21,155
Adeola Razack Adeyemi	Director Related	Demand Deposit	14,594	21,271
IBFC Alliance	Director Related	Demand Deposit	989	265
Fcsl Asset Mgt Company Ltd	Director Related	Demand Deposit	20,921	4,160
Ithena Logic Limited	Director Related	Demand Deposit	1	1
School Kits Limited	Insider Related	Demand Deposit	1,516	3,545
Uzoewulu, Lisa Obiageli	Insider Related	Demand Deposit	3	23
Adeola Fola	Director Related	Demand Deposit	749,489	265,675
Hassan Ibrahim	Director Related	Demand Deposit	919	1,185
Agusto, Olabode Mubasheer	Director Related	Demand Deposit	3,313	1,799
Downtown Hotel & Cat. Services	Director Related	Demand Deposit	1,149	158
			1,430,293	935,078

Interest expense on insider related deposits was ₦40,109,000 (Dec 2018: ₦25,422,000) during the year.

(f) Subsidiaries' deposit account balances

Name of company/Individual	Relationship	Type of Deposit	Dec-2019	Dec-2018
In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
GTB Sierra Leone	Subsidiaries	Domicilliary	1,349	1,328
GTB Ghana	Subsidiaries	Demand Deposit	3,462	3,462
GTB Ghana	Subsidiaries	Domicilliary	43,226	42,548
			48,037	47,338

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(g) Key management personnel and their immediate relatives engaged in the following transactions with the Group during the year:

Loans and advances:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Secured loans	155,615	179,316	155,615	179,316

Deposits:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Total deposits	1,430,293	935,078	1,430,293	935,078

Interest rates charged on balances outstanding are at rates that would be charged in the normal course of business. The secured loans granted are secured over real estate, equity and other assets of the respective borrowers. No impairment losses have been recorded against balances outstanding during the period with key management personnel, and no specific allowance has been made for impairment losses on balances with key management personnel and their immediate relatives at the end of the year.

(h) Key management personnel compensation for the year comprises:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Wages and salaries	1,728,061	1,749,832	1,558,657	1,541,903
Post-employment benefits	20,244	68,170	15,183	68,170
Share-based payments	545,232	1,552,765	545,232	1,224,789
Increase/(decrease) in share appreciation rights	693,367	790,583	-	-
	2,986,904	4,161,350	2,119,072	2,834,862

(i) (i) Directors' remuneration

Directors' remuneration excluding pension contributions and certain benefits was provided as follows:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group Dec-2019	Group Dec-2018	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Fees as directors	499,290	376,065	33,000	24,500
Other allowances	287,801	209,905	239,591	209,400
	787,091	585,970	272,591	233,900
Executive compensation	911,776	806,202	911,776	806,202
	1,698,867	1,392,172	1,184,367	1,040,102

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(ii) The directors' remuneration shown above includes:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
Chairman	45,993	26,367
Highest paid director	399,697	384,157

(iii) The emoluments of all other directors fell within the following ranges:

	Parent Dec-2019	Parent Dec-2018
₦6,500,001 - ₦11,000,000	1	2
₦13,000,001 - ₦13,500,000	-	1
₦13,500,001 - ₦22,500,000	-	4
Above ₦22,500,001	13	7
	14	14

47 Contraventions

INFRACTION	AMOUNT
AML/CFT regulation on three tiered KYC	₦2,000,000
2018 Risk Based Examination findings	₦10,000,000
Transformation of account- Failure to reverse debit interest.	₦2,000,000
Penalty for failure to comply with regulatory directive	₦46,000,000
Penalty for allowing BDC operate without BVN	₦24,000,000

48 Subsequent events

Aside from the final dividend of ₦2.50k per share declared by the Board of Directors and the new Finance Act signed into law on January 2020 and was the basis upon which the Bank's tax was calculated, there were no other events subsequent to the financial position date which require adjustment to or disclosure in, these financial statements.

49 Adjustments recognised on adoption of IFRS 16

The Group has applied IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and therefore the comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under IAS 17 and IFRIC 4. The measurement principles of IFRS 16 are only applied after that date.

The change in accounting policy affected the following items on 1 January 2019:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Group	Parent
Prepayments decreased by:	6,751,459	5,092,389
PPE decreased by:	13,178,503	12,426,227
Right-of-use assets increased by:	13,251,718	12,499,442
Lease liabilities increased by:	5,275,289	151,396
Deferred tax liabilities increased by:	23,439	23,439
Retained earnings decreased by:	598,872	54,690

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50 Restatement of comparative financial information

Prior year corresponding balances

Certain prior year balances have been reclassified in line with IAS 8 – Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, to reflect change in accounting estimate:

Statements of financial position

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Reported Group Dec-2018	Restatements Group Dec-2018	Restated Group Dec-2018	Reported Parent Dec-2018	Restatements Parent Dec-2018	Restated Parent Dec-2018
Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	676,989,012	-	676,989,012	457,497,929	-	457,497,929
Financial assets held for trading	11,314,814	-	11,314,814	8,920,153	-	8,920,153
Derivative financial assets	3,854,921	-	3,854,921	3,854,921	-	3,854,921
Investment securities:						
– Fair value through profit or loss	2,620,200	-	2,620,200	2,620,200	-	2,620,200
– Fair Value through other comprehensive income	536,084,955	-	536,084,955	459,629,259	-	459,629,259
– Held at amortised cost	98,619,509	-	98,619,509	2,003,272	-	2,003,272
Assets pledged as collateral	56,777,170	-	56,777,170	56,291,739	-	56,291,739
Loans and advances to banks	2,994,642	-	2,994,642	46,074	-	46,074
Loans and advances to customers	1,259,010,359	-	1,259,010,359	1,067,999,019	-	1,067,999,019
Restricted deposits and other assets	508,678,702	-	508,678,702	494,969,807	-	494,969,807
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	-	55,814,032	-	55,814,032
Property and equipment	111,825,917	-	111,825,917	96,300,538	-	96,300,538
Intangible assets	16,402,621	-	16,402,621	5,635,606	-	5,635,606
Deferred tax assets	2,169,819	-	2,169,819	-	-	-
	3,287,342,641	-	3,287,342,641	2,711,582,549	-	2,711,582,549
Assets classified as held for sale and discontinued operations	-	-	-	938,945	-	938,945
Total assets	3,287,342,641	-	3,287,342,641	2,712,521,494	-	2,712,521,494
Liabilities						
Deposits from banks	82,803,047	-	82,803,047	735,929	-	735,929
Deposits from customers	2,273,903,143	-	2,273,903,143	1,865,816,172	-	1,865,816,172
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	1,865,419	-	1,865,419	1,865,419	-	1,865,419
Derivative financial liabilities	3,752,666	-	3,752,666	3,752,666	-	3,752,666
Other liabilities	140,447,508	-	140,447,508	119,812,419	2,366,314	122,178,733
Current income tax liabilities	22,650,861	-	22,650,861	22,511,233	-	22,511,233
Other borrowed funds	178,566,800	-	178,566,800	177,361,218	-	177,361,218
Deferred tax liabilities	7,785,850	(709,894)	7,075,956	7,888,454	(709,894)	7,178,560
	2,711,775,294	(709,894)	2,711,065,400	2,199,743,510	1,656,420	2,201,399,930
Liabilities classified as held for sale and discontinued operations	-	-	-	935,725	-	935,725
Total liabilities	2,711,775,294	(709,894)	2,711,065,400	2,200,679,235	1,656,420	2,202,335,655

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Statements of financial position (Continued)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Reported Group Dec-2018	Restatements Group Dec-2018	Restated Group Dec-2018	Reported Parent Dec-2018	Restatements Parent Dec-2018	Restated Parent Dec-2018
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent entity						
Share capital	14,715,590	-	14,715,590	14,715,590	-	14,715,590
Share premium	123,471,114	-	123,471,114	123,471,114	-	123,471,114
Treasury shares	(5,583,635)	-	(5,583,635)	-	-	-
Retained earnings	106,539,050	709,894	107,248,944	79,668,689	(1,656,420)	78,012,269
Other components of equity	323,991,767	-	323,991,767	293,986,866	-	293,986,866
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent entity	563,133,886	709,894	563,843,780	511,842,259	(1,656,420)	510,185,839
Non-controlling interests in equity	12,433,461	-	12,433,461	-	-	-
Total equity	575,567,347	709,894	576,277,241	511,842,259	(1,656,420)	510,185,839
Total equity and liabilities	3,287,342,641	-	3,287,342,641	2,712,521,494	-	2,712,521,494


The reported changes relate to recognition of prior year liability to GTB Finance B.V. , a Special Purpose Vehicle set up by the Bank to raise funds from the international financial market.

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In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Reported Group Dec-2018	Restatements Group Dec-2018	Restated Group Dec-2018	Reported Parent Dec-2018	Restatements Parent Dec-2018	Restated Parent Dec-2018
Interest income calculated using effective interest rate	303,435,736	-	303,435,736	255,887,904	-	255,887,904
Interest income on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3,527,746	-	3,527,746	2,123,082	-	2,123,082
Interest expense	(84,529,681)	-	(84,529,681)	(69,569,079)	(85,985)	(69,655,064)
Net interest income	222,433,801	-	222,433,801	188,441,907	(85,985)	188,355,922
Loan impairment charges	(4,906,485)	-	(4,906,485)	(1,504,303)	-	(1,504,303)
Net interest income after loan impairment charges	217,527,316	-	217,527,316	186,937,604	(85,985)	186,851,619
Fee and commission income	52,367,605	-	52,367,605	36,110,550	-	36,110,550
Fee and commission expense	(1,897,532)	-	(1,897,532)	(957,708)	-	(957,708)
Net fee and commission income	50,470,073	-	50,470,073	35,152,842	-	35,152,842
Net gains on financial instruments held at fair value through profit or loss	24,583,974	-	24,583,974	16,652,294	-	16,652,294
Other income	50,783,908	-	50,783,908	45,758,534	(152,131)	45,606,403
Net impairment reversal / (charge) on other financial assets	(650,015)	-	(650,015)	120,299	-	120,299
Personnel expenses	(36,856,121)	-	(36,856,121)	(23,681,401)	-	(23,681,401)
Operating lease expenses	(2,085,035)	-	(2,085,035)	(663,998)	-	(663,998)
Depreciation and amortization	(17,629,276)	-	(17,629,276)	(14,255,334)	-	(14,255,334)
Other operating expenses	(70,558,054)	-	(70,558,054)	(55,811,554)	-	(55,811,554)
Profit before income tax	215,586,770	-	215,586,770	190,209,286	(238,116)	189,971,170
Income tax expense	(30,947,176)	71,435	(30,875,741)	(23,289,521)	71,435	(23,218,086)
Profit for the year	184,639,594	71,435	184,711,029	166,919,765	(166,681)	166,753,084

The restatement of prior year resulted from recognition of prior year expense as well as revaluation loss on unsettled liability to GTB Finance B.V., a Special Purpose Vehicle set up by the Bank to raise funds from the international financial market.



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Regulatory Requirements under the IFRS Regime

In addressing the challenges faced by the Nigerian Banking industry which was at the brink of a crisis as a result of spiral effects of the global financial meltdown, the CBN undertook a review of the prudential guidelines. In the revised guidelines, which became effective 1st of July, 2010, the CBN provided for the adaptation of the prudential guidelines to IFRS after it has been adopted in Nigeria. Paragraph 12.4 of the revised Prudential Guidelines for Deposit Money Banks in Nigeria stipulates that Banks would be required to make provisions for loans as prescribed in the relevant IFRS Standards when IFRS is adopted. However, Banks would be required to comply with the following:

- (a) Provisions for loans recognized in the profit and loss account should be determined based on the requirements of IFRS. However, the IFRS provisions should be compared with provisions determined under prudential guidelines and the expected impact/ changes in general reserve should be treated as follows:
 - i. Prudential Provisions is greater than IFRS provisions; transfer the difference from the general reserve to a non-distributable regulatory reserve.
 - ii. Prudential Provisions is less than IFRS provisions; the excess charges resulting should be transferred from the regulatory reserve account to the general reserve to the extent of the non-distributable reserve previously recognized.
- (b) The non-distributable reserve should be classified under Tier 1 as part of core capital.

The group has fully complied with the requirements of the guidelines.

Provisioning as recommended by Prudential Guideline

Loan provisioning is segregated along two (2) categories as detailed below:

1. **Loans other than Specialized Loans**
The provisioning policy for 'loans other than specialized loans' covers the following:
 - i. Commercial Loans
 - ii. Commodities Financing
 - iii. Corporate Loans
 - iv. Retail & Consumer Credits
 - v. Facilities granted to Federal, State and Local governments and their parastatals.
 - vi. Facilities not specifically classified as specialized loans by the CBN.

The bank's provisioning benchmark for 'loans other than specialized loans' is highlighted in the table below:

No of Days Overdrawn	Classification	% Provision taken
90 – 180	Substandard	10
180 – 360	Doubtful	50
Over 360	Lost	100

As soon as an account is classified as non-performing, the interest is accounted for on non-accrual basis i.e. interest is not recognized as income but suspended.

Furthermore, if the occurrence of a loss event is certain, appropriate provisions will be made regardless of the fact that such loans does not fall in any of the above categories.

2. Specialized Loans

The provisioning policy for specialized loans covers the following:

- i. Agriculture Finance
- ii. Mortgage Loan
- iii. Margin Loan
- iv. Project Finance
- v. Object Finance
- vi. SME Loan
- vii. Real Estate Loan (Commercial and Residential)

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The bank's provisioning benchmarks are spelt out below under each of the specialized loan types:

i. Agriculture Finance

a. Agriculture Finance - short term facilities (purchase of seeds, fertilizers, WC, and other Inputs)

Category	Classification	Days past due	% provision
1	Watchlist	Markup / interest or principal past due by up to 90days	0% of total outstanding balance
1A	Substandard	Markup / interest or principal past due by 90days to 1year	25% of total outstanding balance
2	Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by 1 to 1.5 years	50% of total outstanding balance
3	Very Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by 1.5 to 2 years	75% of total outstanding balance
4	Lost	Markup / interest or principal past due by more than 2 years	100% of total outstanding balance

b. Agriculture Finance – long term facilities (Farm development finance, purchase of machinery, livestock financing)

Category	Classification	Days past due	% provision
1	Watchlist	Markup / interest or principal past due by up to 90days	0% of total outstanding balance
1A	Substandard	Markup / interest or principal past due by 90days to 1year	25% of total outstanding balance
2	Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by 1 to 2years	50% of total outstanding balance
3	Very Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by 2 to 3 years	75% of total outstanding balance
4	Lost	Markup / interest or principal past due by more than 3 years	100% of total outstanding balance

ii). Mortgage Loans

Category	Classification	Days past due	Treatment of Unrealised Markup/ Interest income	% provision
1	Watchlist	Markup / Interest or principal Days past due by more than 90 days	Suspend	0% of total outstanding balance
2	Substandard	Markup / interest or principal past due by more than 180days	Suspend	10% of total outstanding balance
3	Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by more than 1year	Suspend	Un-provided balance should not exceed 50% of NRV of security.
4	Lost	Markup / interest or principal past due by more than 2 years	Suspend	100% of total outstanding balance

iii. Margin Loans

The shares backing margin facilities shall be marked to market on a daily basis in order to determine the potential loss in the portfolio. Provisions shall be made periodically for the excess of loan balance over the market value of the underlining shares. Any increase in the mark to market value from the previous valuation shall be recognized to the extent of the previous charge-off made.

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iv. Project Finance

Category	Classification	Days past due	Treatment of Income	% provision
1	Watchlist	Repayment on obligation between 60% and 75% of amount due or installment up to 180 days past due	Suspend interest and realize on cash basis	0% of total outstanding balance
1A	Substandard	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment btw 180 days to 2 years past due	As above	25% of total outstanding balance
2	Doubtful	Repayment below 60% of amount or installment overdue by 2 to 3 years	As above	50% of total outstanding balance
3	Very Doubtful	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment overdue by 3 to 4 years	As above	75% of total outstanding balance
4	Lost	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment overdue by more than 4 years	As above	100% of total outstanding balance

v. Object Finance

Category	Classification	Days past due	Treatment of Income	% provision
1	Watchlist	Repayment on obligation between 60% and 75% of amount due or installment up to 180 days past due	Suspend interest and realize on cash basis	0% of total outstanding balance
1A	Substandard	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment btw 180 to 1 year past due	As above	25% of total outstanding balance
2	Doubtful	Repayment below 60% of amount or installment overdue by 1 to 2 years	As above	50% of total outstanding balance
3	Very Doubtful	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment over due by 2 to 3 years	As above	75% of total outstanding balance
4	Lost	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment overdue by more than 3 years	As above	100% of total outstanding balance

vi. SME Loan

a. SME Loan - SME short term facilities (Maturities of 1 year)

Category	Classification	Days past due	% provision
1	Watchlist	Markup / interest or principal past due by up to 90 days	0% of total outstanding balance
1A	Substandard	Markup / interest or principal past due by 90 days to 1 year	25% of total outstanding balance
2	Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by 1 to 1.5 years	50% of total outstanding balance
3	Very Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by 1.5 to 2 years	75% of total outstanding balance
4	Lost	Markup / interest or principal past due by more than 2 years	100% of total outstanding balance

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b. SME Loan - SME Long term facilities (Maturities of more than 1 year)

Category	Classification	Days past due	% provision
1	Watchlist	Markup / interest or principal past due by up to 90days	0% of total outstanding balance
1A	Substandard	Markup / interest or principal past due by 90days to 1year	25% of total outstanding balance
2	Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by 1 to 2years	50% of total outstanding balance
3	Very Doubtful	Markup / interest or principal past due by 2 to 3 years	75% of total outstanding balance
4	Lost	Markup / interest or principal past due by more than 3 years	100% of total outstanding balance

vii. Real Estate Loan (Commercial and Residential)

Category	Classification	Days past due	Treatment of Income	% provision
1	Watchlist	Repayment on obligation between 60% and 75% of amount due or installment up to 180days past due	Suspend interest and realize on cash basis	0% of total outstanding balance
1A	Substandard	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment btw 180 to 1year past due	As above	25% of total outstanding balance
2	Doubtful	Repayment below 60% of amount or installment overdue by 1 to 2 years	As above	50% of total outstanding balance
3	Very Doubtful	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment over due by 2 to 3 years	As above	75% of total outstanding balance
4	Lost	Repayment below 60% of amount due or installment overdue by more than 3 years	As above	100% of total outstanding balance



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The Bank's provision level adequately meets the recommended provision by the Regulators. The reassessed CBN recommended provision as at December 31, 2019 amounted to ₦124,311,946,000. Of the amount recommended by the Central Bank of Nigeria, ₦392,023,460,000 relates to 2% General Loan Loss Provision on performing loans and contingents, while ₦511,206,000 relates to Other Known Losses. The Bank transferred ₦57,955,721,000 into the Regulatory Risk Reserve during the year. Regulatory risk reserve represents the difference between the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) recommended Provision for Loan Losses under the Prudential Guideline and the Loan Impairment allowance determined in accordance with provisions of IFRS. The total regulatory risk reserve stood at ₦62,317,634,000 at the end of the year.

The Reconciliation between the CBN Recommended provisions and that under IFRS as at December 2019 is as shown in the table below:

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Reference	Specific	General	Total
a Loans and Advances:				
Provision per CBN Prudential Guidelines		84,777,280	39,023,460	123,800,740
Impairment allowance per IFRS 9	(Notes 28, 29 & 38)	(62,311,045)	-	(62,311,045)
Additional provision required in Regulatory Risk Reserve¹		22,466,235	39,023,460	61,489,695
Amount in Regulatory Risk Reserve	(SOCIE - Page 71)			(62,317,634)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
b Provision for Other Known Losses:				
Provision for Other Known Losses – CBN recommended (A)				511,206
IFRS Impairment on Other Financial Instruments				
Other Assets	(Note 34)		(263,001)	
Total (B)				(263,001)
Additional provision required on other financial instruments (A-B)				248,205

¹Regulatory Risk Reserve refers to the difference between the Provision assessment under CBN Prudential Guideline and impairment assessment under IFRS

In thousands of Nigerian Naira				
c Impairment of loans and advances and Other Known Losses (OKL)				
Regulatory reserve required for loans and advances				61,489,695
Regulatory reserve required for other financial instruments				248,205
Balance required in Regulatory Risk Reserve (C)				61,737,900
Balance currently on Regulatory Risk Reserve (D)	(SOCIE - Page 83)			(62,317,634)
Surplus provisions in Regulatory Risk Reserve (C+D)				(579,734)

In thousands of Nigerian Naira					
d Movement in Regulatory Reserves					
		Specific	General	Others	Total
Balance as at 1 January		-	4,298,020	63,893	4,361,913
Additional amount		-	57,771,409	184,312	40,955,721
Balance, end of the year		-	62,069,429	248,205	62,317,634



OPERATIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Guaranty Trust Bank defines Operational Risk (OpRisk) as “the direct or indirect risk of loss resulting from inadequate and/or failed internal processes, people, and systems or from external events”. These risks originate from the actions of the Bank’s staff, its processes and systems, activities of interested parties and events that have direct or indirect impact on the Bank.

In GTBank, Operational Risk Management involves the review and monitoring of all strategies and initiatives deployed in its people management, process engineering and re-engineering, technology investment and deployment, management of all regulatory responsibilities, engagement of third-party services, and response to major disruptions and external threats.

The Bank manages Operational risk by using appropriate qualitative & quantitative methods in day to day management processes and adopts various risk mitigating strategies. The following practices, tools and methodologies have been deployed in the Bank for the purpose of Operational Risk Management implementation:

Loss Incident Reporting

Loss incidents are reported to the Operational Risk Management Group by all business areas in the Bank to enable collection of internal OpRisk losses and near misses. All staff are encouraged to report operational risk events as they occur in their respective business spaces whether these risks crystallize into actual losses or not. As a result, the Bank maintains a robust OpRisk loss database detailing relevant OpRisk loss data for ten years. Information collated is analyzed for identification of risk concentrations, appropriate OpRisk risk profiling and capital estimation.

Risk and Control Self Assessment (RCSA)

This is a qualitative risk identification tool deployed bank-wide. A risk-based approach has been adopted for the frequency of RCSAs to be conducted by branches, departments, groups and divisions of the Bank. All branches and Head-Office departments are required to complete the Risk Self-Assessment process at least once a year. These assessments enable risk profiling and risk mapping of prevalent operational risks across the Bank. A detailed risk register cataloguing key risks identified and controls for implementation is also developed and maintained from this process.

Risk Assessments of the Bank’s key processes, new and existing products, services, branches and vendors/contractors are also carried out. This process identifies inherent operational risks and tests the quality of controls the Bank has in place to mitigate likely risks.

Key Risk Indicators (KRI)

These are quantitative parameters defined for the purpose of monitoring operational risk trends across the Bank and its subsidiaries. A comprehensive KRI Dashboard set with thresholds is in place and it is supported by specific KRIs for key departments in the Bank. Medium to High risk trends are reported in the

Monthly and Quarterly Operational Risk Status reports circulated to Management and key stakeholders.

Fraud Risk Management Initiatives – Causal analysis of key fraud and forgeries incidents identified in the Bank or prevalent in local and global business environments are carried out and reported. Likely and unlikely loss estimations are also determined in the process as input in the OpRisk capital calculation process. The focus in Fraud Risk Management is to ensure that processes for preventing, deterring, detecting fraud and forgeries incidents, and sanctioning offenders are effective.

Business Continuity Management (BCM) in line with ISO 22301 Standards – To ensure the resilience of our business to any disruptive eventuality, the Bank has in place a robust Business Continuity Management System (BCMS). This system assures timely resumption of critical business activities with minimal financial losses or reputational damage and continuity of service to the Bank’s customers, vendors and regulators. GTBank has remained certified ISO 22301 BC compliant by the globally recognized Professional Evaluation and Certification Board (PECB) for 5 years and continually improving in its BCM maturity, thereby signifying that the Bank has instituted internationally accepted processes, structures and systems that demonstrate its capacity to resume business within a short timeframe in the event of any business disruption.

Part of the BCMS is a Business Continuity Plan (BCP), which is reviewed and updated periodically to ensure reliability and relevance of information contained. Various testing and exercising programs are conducted bank-wide to ensure that recovery coordinators are aware of their roles and responsibilities.

Occupational Health and Safety Procedure Initiatives – In line with ISO 45001 and global best practices, the bank commits to ensuring the health, safety and welfare of all staff, customers and 3rd parties visiting the Bank’s premises. Branch Risk Assessments and Fire Risk Assessments are conducted in branches to identify health and safety hazards in order to recommend adequate control measures for identified risks; Regular and Table talk (facilitated discussions for regions unable to conduct regular drills due to security scare) Fire Drills are conducted quarterly to enlighten staff, visitors and customers on its premises on emergency preparedness and response procedures.

Health and Safety related incidents reported to Operational Risk Management are thoroughly investigated for identification of causal factors and implementation of appropriate mitigants to forestall reoccurrence. In addition, awareness on health and safety issues are presented periodically on the intranet and via other forum.

Operational Risk Champions & BCM Champions – Members of staff from various teams bankwide are selected and undergo intensive Operational Risk management trainings. They become Operational Risk ambassadors in their various departments/Groups, they further enshrine the OpRisk standards, culture and practices. The same is done in selecting Business continuity Champions (BCM).

Strategic and Reputational Risk Monitoring – To ensure a holistic framework is implemented, Operational Risk Management also monitors Strategic and Reputational Risks from a broad perspective.

GTBank considers strategic risk as the risk that not only affects but are created by the Bank's strategic decision. It is the possibility that the Bank's strategy may be inappropriate to support its long-term corporate goals due to the inadequacy of its strategic planning and/or decision-making process, inadequate implementation of such strategies and strategy failure due to unexpected circumstances.

The Bank aligns strategy and risk by identifying, assessing and managing risks and uncertainties, affected by internal and external events or factors, which could inhibit the Bank's ability to achieve its strategic objectives. This is done with the ultimate goal of creating and protecting stakeholder value.

A specialized template is deployed for tracking key business activities designed or defined by the Bank to measure and monitor performance in the achievement of its strategic intent in the short, medium and long term.

The Bank regards Reputational Risk as the current and prospective adverse impact on earnings and capital arising from negative public opinion. It measures the change in perception of the Bank by its stakeholders. It is linked with customers' expectations regarding the Bank's ability to conduct business securely and responsibly. A detailed template with internal and external factors that might impact the Bank adversely is used to monitor the Bank's exposure to reputational risk. All adverse trends identified are reported to relevant stakeholders for timely redress.

Operational Risk Management Philosophy and Principles

Approach to Managing OpRisk – Guaranty Trust Bank continually adopts operational risk procedures and practices that are "fit for purpose" this increases the efficiency and effectiveness of the Bank's resources, minimize losses and utilize opportunities. This outlook entrenches OpRisk practices in the bank's day-to-day business activities.

It also aligns the Bank's Operational Risk Management framework with sound practices recommended by various local and globally-accepted regulatory agencies such as Basel II Accord's "Sound Practices for the Management and Supervision of Operational Risk", Committee of Sponsoring Organisations (COSO) and International Organisation for Standardization (ISO).

Operational Risk Capital Calculation – The Bank has adopted the Basic Indicator Approach (BIA) under Basel II Pillar 1 for the calculation of its Operational Risk Economic Capital for internal risk monitoring and decision-making. Whilst the Bank has the required OpRisk loss data to migrate to other capital calculation methods i.e. the Standardized Approach, the application of the BIA is in line with the Central Bank of Nigeria's (CBN) recommendation for all banks in Nigeria.

The estimated OpRisk Capital Charge is reported to the Board and Management for guidance in Capital Planning and decision making.

Governance Structure – The Board through its Board Risk Committee (BRC) oversees the operational risk function in the Bank and reviews OpRisk reports on a quarterly basis. It ensures that the OpRisk policy is robust and provides an updated framework for the Bank's OpRisk profile and limits. It also determines the adequacy and completeness of the Bank's risk detection, measurement systems and mitigants whilst ensuring review and approval of the bank's contingency plans for Specific risks. The Board lays down the principles on how operational risk incidents are to be identified, assessed, controlled, monitored and measured.

The Management Risk Committee monitors and ensures the implementation of the guiding OpRisk framework bank-wide. It considers and approves key decisions relating to Operational Risk before presentation to the Board. The Committee ensures that all departments in the Bank are fully aware of the risks embedded in respective process flows and business activities.

All process owners are responsible for the day-to-day management of OpRisk prevalent in their respective Departments, Groups, Divisions and Regions.

The Internal Audit function conducts independent reviews on the implementation of OpRisk Policies and Procedures bank-wide.

Treatment Of Operational Risks

GTBank has maintained several risk treatment strategies to mitigate identified operational risks. These mitigants are applied to achieve a residual risk level aligned with the Bank's risk tolerances. In line with best practices, the cost of risk treatments introduced must not exceed the reward. OpRisk treatment options adopted by the Bank include Risk Acceptance / Reduction, Risk Transfer, Risk Sharing and Risk Avoidance.

Operational Risk Reporting – Weekly, Monthly and Quarterly reports are circulated to relevant stakeholders highlighting key operational risks identified for awareness and timely implementation of mitigation strategies. Reports are also generated and circulated on a need-basis.

To ensure timely and comprehensive reporting of prevalent OpRisk exposures in the Bank, an OpRisk Management software/application is being used by the Bank. This is to aid data collation and information gathering, analysis, escalation and reporting of key OpRisk incidents or emerging trends observed. Current processes are also being automated.



ACTIVITIES OF CARDS OPERATIONS

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5. Activities of Cards Operations

Within Nigeria and all other countries where we have a foothold, the group continues to abide by strict standards and requirements for the issuance and usage of payment cards. We carry out continuous upgrade of our card systems to ensure optimum security, absolute efficiency, cost effectiveness and customer satisfaction. Stringent fraud control measures have also been implemented to reduce financial loss to both customers and the bank.

We continually encourage the usage of our cards both locally and internationally by providing the enabling environment for smooth operations in terms of provision of modern technology, one of which is the contactless payment technology.

Presented below are the highlights of our card transaction volumes for year ended 31 December 2019.

5.1. Table below shows a summary of transactions done on GTBank Cards

Category	No. of Transactions		Value Of International Transaction		Value Of Local Transactions	
	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18
	'000	'000	₦'mm	₦'mm	₦'mm	₦'mm
Naira denominated debit cards	359,667	284,224	131,722	75,685	2,864,119	2,390,508
Foreign currency credit cards	346	277	31,250	27,629	-	-
Foreign currency debit cards	1,618	1,529	79,342	68,563	2,087	2,699

Breakdown of transactions done using GTBank Cards (Number of transactions)

	International Transactions				Local Transactions			
	ATM		POS/Web		ATM		POS/Web	
	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18
In thousands								
Naira MasterCard debit	466	85	5,790	3,967	196,694	188,423	156,717	91,749
Foreign Currency Denominated Cards:								
MasterCard debit	93	95	798	814	25	18	194	105
MasterCard credit	10	11	144	112	-	-	-	-
Visa classic debit	40	46	439	348	9	8	19	95
Visa classic credit	11	12	168	131	-	-	-	-
World credit	1	1	13	9	-	-	-	-
Total	621	250	7,352	5,381	196,727	188,449	156,931	91,949

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Breakdown of transactions done using GTBank Cards (Value of Transactions)

In millions of Naira	International Transactions				POS/Web			
	ATM		POS/Web		ATM		POS/Web	
	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-18
Naira MasterCard debit	19,736	3,337	111,986	72,348	1,755,764	1,677,752	1,108,355	712,756
MasterCard debit	10,578	9,699	40,773	31,934	360	233	668	1,781
MasterCard credit	1,389	1,326	9,780	8,375	-	-	-	-
Visa classic debit	4,870	5,112	23,121	21,818	124	125	936	560
Visa classic credit	1,442	1,518	16,022	14,228	-	-	-	-
World credit	107	102	2,510	2,080	-	-	-	-
Total	38,122	21,094	204,191	150,783	1,756,247	1,678,110	1,109,959	715,097

5.2. Type of customers' complaints and remedial measures taken

COMPLAINTS	CATEGORY OF COMPLAINT	REASONS	REMEDIAL MEASURES
Declined Transactions	Declined Transactions on International ATMs & POS/WEB	Dynamic currency conversion transactions Usage on non-EMV terminals Insufficient funds	Awareness
Complaints on delayed debits & double debits for Domestic POS & Web Transactions	Delayed Debits & Double Debits	System glitch/ Technical error from Third party processors	Continuous engagement with Third party processors to ensure adequate and effective maintenance of their systems to prevent such incidences. Escalation to the relevant department of the regulators (CBN) to assist to check the activities of processors/switches responsible for persistent incidents.
Dispense Error	Cash/Value not received for a transaction	This occurs when an ATM attempts to dispense cash after an account has been debited but fails due to network failure. This also occur when a customer's account has been debited for a certain amount for goods/services, but value is not received	Strict adherence to resolution of customers' complaints within stipulated SLA . Proactive reversal of failed transactions that are not auto reversed. Constant follow up with relevant stakeholders (e.g. switches and TPPs) to address any identified cause(s) of delayed refund.



VALUE ADDED STATEMENTS

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Value Added Statements For the year ended 31 December 2019

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019				Dec-2018			
	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations	Total	%	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations	Total	%
Gross earnings	435,306,541	56	435,306,597		434,698,969	-	434,698,969	
Interest expense:								
-Local	(47,310,478)	-	(47,310,478)		(58,507,370)	-	(58,507,370)	
- Foreign	(17,531,119)	-	(17,531,119)		(26,022,311)	-	(26,022,311)	
	370,464,944	56	370,465,000		350,169,288	-	350,169,288	
Loan impairment charges / Net impairment loss on financial assets	(4,811,193)	-	(4,811,193)		(5,556,500)	-	(5,556,500)	
	365,653,751	56	365,653,807		344,612,788	-	344,612,788	
Bought in materials and services								
- Local	(73,772,297)	(16,441)	(73,788,738)		(74,340,071)	-	(74,340,071)	
- Foreign	(196,779)	-	(196,779)		(200,550)	-	(200,550)	
Value added	291,684,675	(16,385)	291,668,290	100	270,072,167	-	270,072,167	100
Distribution:								
Employees								
- Wages, salaries, pensions, gratuity and other employee benefits	37,284,204	-	37,284,204	12	36,856,121	-	36,856,121	14
Government								
- Taxation	34,842,168	-	34,842,168	12	30,875,741	-	30,875,741	11
Retained in the Group								
- For replacement of Property and equipment / intangible assets (depreciation and amortisation)	22,692,637	-	22,692,637	9	17,629,276	-	17,629,276	7
-Profit/(Loss) for the year (including non - controlling interest, statutory and regulatory risk reserves)	196,865,666	(16,385)	196,849,281	67	184,711,029	-	184,711,029	68
	291,684,675	(16,385)	291,668,290	100	270,072,167	-	270,072,167	100

VALUE ADDED STATEMENTS

Parent

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019				Dec-2018			
	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations	Total	%	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations	Dec-2016 Total	%
Gross earnings	350,926,907	-	350,926,907		356,380,233	-	356,380,233	
Interest expense:								
-Local	(47,659,192)	-	(47,659,192)		(58,843,507)	-	(58,843,507)	
- Foreign	(4,200,392)	-	(4,200,392)		(10,811,557)	-	(10,811,557)	
	299,067,323	-	299,067,323		286,725,169	-	286,725,169	
Loan impairment charges / Net impairment loss on financial assets	(1,859,247)	-	(1,859,247)		(1,384,004)	-	(1,384,004)	
	297,208,076	-	297,208,076		285,341,165	-	285,341,165	
Bought in materials and services								
- Local	(54,862,205)	-	(54,862,205)		(57,232,710)	-	(57,232,710)	
- Foreign	(196,779)	-	(196,779)		(200,550)	-	(200,550)	
Value added	242,149,092	-	242,149,092	100	227,907,905	-	227,907,905	100
Distribution:								
Employees								
- Wages, salaries, pensions, gratuity and other employee benefits	23,330,656	-	23,330,656	10	23,681,401	-	23,681,401	10
Government								
- Taxation	25,052,609	-	25,052,609	10	23,218,086	-	23,218,086	10
Retained in the Bank								
- For replacement of Property and equipment / intangible assets (depreciation and amortisation)	18,640,546	-	18,640,546	8	14,255,334	-	14,255,334	6
- Profit for the year (including statutory and regulatory risk reserves)	175,125,281	-	175,125,281	72	166,753,084	-	166,753,084	74
	242,149,092	-	242,149,092	100	227,907,905	-	227,907,905	100



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Statements of financial Position

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2017	Dec-2016	Dec-2015
Assets					
Cash and bank balances	593,551,117	676,989,012	641,973,784	455,863,305	254,633,215
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	73,486,101	11,314,814	-	-	-
Financial assets held for trading	-	-	23,945,661	12,053,919	34,626,186
Derivative financial assets	26,011,823	3,854,921	2,839,078	1,042,470	-
Investment securities:					
– Fair Value through profit or loss	33,084,367	2,620,200	-	-	-
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	585,392,248	536,084,955	-	-	-
– Available for sale	-	-	517,492,733	448,056,733	364,180,150
– Held at amortised cost	145,561,232	98,619,509	-	-	-
– Held to maturity	-	-	96,466,598	80,155,825	29,408,045
Assets pledged as collateral	58,036,855	56,777,170	58,976,175	48,216,412	61,954,777
Loans and advances to banks	1,513,310	2,994,642	750,361	653,718	1,051,521
Loans and advances to customers	1,500,572,046	1,259,010,359	1,448,533,430	1,589,429,834	1,371,925,547
Restricted deposits and other assets	577,433,006	508,678,702	444,946,897	371,995,835	303,110,737
Property and equipment	141,774,863	111,825,917	98,669,998	93,488,055	87,988,778
Intangible assets	20,245,232	16,402,621	14,834,954	13,858,906	12,470,612
Deferred tax assets	2,256,570	2,169,819	1,666,990	1,578,427	3,244,141
Total assets	3,758,918,770	3,287,342,641	3,351,096,659	3,116,393,439	2,524,593,709
Liabilities					
Deposits from banks	107,518,398	82,803,047	85,430,514	125,067,848	26,256,839
Deposits from customers	2,532,540,384	2,273,903,143	2,062,047,633	1,986,246,232	1,610,349,689
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	1,615,735	1,865,419	-	-	-
Financial liabilities held for trading	-	-	2,647,469	2,065,402	-
Derivative financial liabilities	2,315,541	3,752,666	2,606,586	987,502	-
Other liabilities	233,425,713	140,447,508	224,116,829	118,893,100	104,605,713
Current income tax liabilities	20,597,088	22,650,861	24,147,356	17,928,279	17,739,676
Debt securities issued	-	-	92,131,923	126,237,863	180,117,424
Other borrowed funds	162,999,909	178,566,800	220,491,914	219,633,604	165,122,908
Deferred tax liabilities	10,568,534	7,075,956	17,437,766	17,641,384	6,839,522
Total liabilities	3,071,581,302	2,711,065,400	2,731,057,990	2,614,701,214	2,111,031,771
Equity					
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent entity					
Share capital	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590
Share premium	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114
Treasury shares	(6,531,749)	(5,583,635)	(5,291,245)	(5,291,245)	(4,754,156)
Retained earnings	119,247,653	107,248,944	123,257,080	87,062,977	51,089,585
Other components of equity	422,704,836	323,991,767	352,403,527	272,891,094	222,651,255
Total equity attributable to owners of the Bank	673,607,444	563,843,780	608,556,066	492,849,530	407,173,388
Non-controlling interests in equity	13,730,024	12,433,461	11,482,603	8,842,695	6,388,550
Total equity	687,337,468	576,277,241	620,038,669	501,692,225	413,561,938
Total equity and liabilities	3,758,918,770	3,287,342,641	3,351,096,659	3,116,393,439	2,524,593,709

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Statements of comprehensive income

Group

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2017	Dec-2016	Dec-2015
Interest income	296,204,699	306,963,482	327,333,512	262,494,101	229,236,715
Interest expense	(64,841,597)	(84,529,681)	(80,670,351)	(67,093,923)	(69,289,592)
Net interest income	231,363,102	222,433,801	246,663,161	195,400,178	159,947,123
Loan impairment charges	(4,911,666)	(4,906,485)	(12,169,120)	(65,290,310)	(12,408,194)
Net interest income after loan impairment charges	226,451,436	217,527,316	234,494,041	130,109,868	147,538,929
Fee and commission income	62,418,779	52,367,605	42,921,857	39,403,171	51,865,608
Fee and commission expense	(2,975,272)	(1,897,532)	(2,189,661)	(3,456,257)	(3,079,439)
Net fee and commission income	59,443,507	50,470,073	40,732,196	35,946,914	48,786,169
Net gains on financial instruments classified as held for trading	20,889,849	24,583,974	11,338,819	5,218,451	12,237,394
Other income	55,793,214	50,783,908	37,632,083	107,499,864	8,510,394
Total other income	76,683,063	75,367,882	48,970,902	112,718,315	20,747,788
Operating income	362,578,006	343,365,271	324,197,139	278,775,097	217,072,886
Net impairment reversal / (charge) on other financial assets	100,473	(650,015)	(696,680)	-	-
Net operating income after net impairment loss on financial assets	362,678,479	342,715,256	323,500,459	278,775,097	217,072,886
Personnel expenses	(37,284,204)	(36,856,121)	(32,832,341)	(29,453,465)	(27,721,723)
Right-of-use asset amortisation	(2,114,007)	-	-	-	-
Operating lease expenses	-	(2,085,035)	(1,596,413)	(1,375,228)	(1,124,691)
Depreciation and amortization	(22,692,637)	(17,629,276)	(15,383,697)	(15,249,366)	(12,594,522)
Other operating expenses	(68,879,797)	(70,558,054)	(76,002,963)	(70,197,495)	(54,937,146)
Total expenses	(130,970,645)	(127,128,486)	(125,815,414)	(116,275,554)	(96,378,082)
Profit before income tax	231,707,834	215,586,770	197,685,045	162,499,543	120,694,804
Income tax expense	(34,842,168)	(30,875,741)	(29,772,387)	(32,855,806)	(21,257,923)
Profit for the year from continuing operations	196,865,666	184,711,029	167,912,658	129,643,737	99,436,881
Loss for the year from discontinued operations	(16,385)	-	-	-	-
Profit for the year	196,849,281	184,711,029	167,912,658	129,643,737	99,436,881

Earnings per share for the profit from continuing operations attributable to the equity holders of the parent entity during the year (expressed in Naira per share):

- Basic	6.96	6.54	5.94	4.67	3.51
- Diluted	6.96	6.54	5.94	4.67	3.51

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Statements of financial Position

Bank

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2017	Dec-2016	Dec-2015
Assets					
Cash and cash bank balances	396,915,777	457,497,929	455,296,196	233,847,233	173,133,109
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	44,717,688	8,920,153	-	-	-
Financial assets held for trading	-	-	16,652,356	6,321,370	25,075,618
Derivative financial assets	26,011,823	3,854,921	2,839,078	1,042,470	-
Investment securities:					
– Fair value through profit or loss	33,084,367	2,620,200	-	-	-
– Fair Value through other comprehensive Income	495,731,932	459,629,259	-	-	-
– Available for sale	-	-	453,089,625	408,246,905	327,585,822
– Held at amortised cost	2,003,583	2,003,272	-	-	-
– Held to maturity	-	-	2,007,253	5,219,262	3,210,575
Assets pledged as collateral	57,790,749	56,291,739	58,961,722	48,205,702	61,946,270
Loans and advances to banks	72,451	46,074	43,480	29,943	638,817
Loans and advances to customers	1,300,820,647	1,067,999,019	1,265,971,688	1,417,217,952	1,265,207,443
Restricted deposits and other assets	552,105,755	494,969,807	433,528,669	364,152,777	297,240,082
Investment in subsidiaries	55,814,032	55,814,032	46,207,004	43,968,474	41,905,781
Property and equipment	122,633,438	96,300,538	84,979,798	81,710,025	79,192,748
Intangible assets	9,546,253	5,635,606	4,501,296	3,377,961	2,492,959
	3,097,248,495	2,711,582,549	2,824,078,165	2,613,340,074	2,277,629,224
Assets classified as held for sale and discontinued operations	-	938,945	850,820	-	-
Total assets	3,097,248,495	2,712,521,494	2,824,928,985	2,613,340,074	2,277,629,224
Liabilities					
Deposits from banks	15,200	735,929	42,360	40,438	39,941
Deposits from customers	2,086,810,070	1,865,816,172	1,697,560,947	1,681,184,820	1,422,550,125
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	1,615,735	1,865,419	-	-	-
Financial liabilities held for trading	-	-	2,647,469	2,065,402	-
Derivative financial liabilities	2,315,541	3,752,666	2,606,586	987,502	-
Other liabilities	205,817,828	122,178,733	205,147,602	93,271,050	85,126,211
Current income tax liabilities	19,748,074	22,511,233	24,009,770	17,819,039	19,378,526
Debt securities issued	-	-	92,131,923	-	-
Other borrowed funds	162,742,565	177,361,218	210,671,384	332,317,881	338,580,300
Deferred tax liabilities	12,293,886	7,178,560	12,176,307	11,946,699	6,345,773
	2,491,358,899	2,201,399,930	2,246,994,348	2,139,632,831	1,872,020,876
Liabilities included in assets classified as held for sale and discontinued operations	-	935,725	847,600	-	-
Total liabilities	2,491,358,899	2,202,335,655	2,247,841,948	2,139,632,831	1,872,020,876
Equity					
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the parent entity					
Share capital	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590	14,715,590
Share premium	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114	123,471,114
Retained earnings	78,110,906	78,012,269	108,104,500	80,778,889	46,048,031
Other components of equity	389,591,986	293,986,866	330,795,833	254,741,650	221,373,613
Total equity	605,889,596	510,185,839	577,087,037	473,707,243	405,608,348
Total equity and liabilities	3,097,248,495	2,712,521,494	2,824,928,985	2,613,340,074	2,277,629,224

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Statements of comprehensive income

Bank

In thousands of Nigerian Naira	Dec-2019	Dec-2018	Dec-2017	Dec-2016	Dec-2015
Interest income	241,177,613	258,010,986	284,442,547	226,579,479	206,478,499
Interest expense	(51,859,584)	(69,655,064)	(66,792,928)	(55,551,522)	(61,445,632)
Net interest income	189,318,029	188,355,922	217,649,619	171,027,957	145,032,867
Loan impairment charges	(2,221,501)	(1,504,303)	(10,834,612)	(63,542,640)	(11,769,374)
Net interest income after loan impairment charges	187,096,528	186,851,619	206,815,007	107,485,317	133,263,493
Fee and commission income	44,919,113	36,110,550	30,048,147	28,527,039	44,034,897
Fee and commission expense	(1,788,175)	(957,708)	(1,561,766)	(2,947,714)	(2,689,751)
Net fee and commission income	43,130,938	35,152,842	28,486,381	25,579,325	41,345,146
Net gains on financial instruments classified as held for trading	9,971,086	16,652,294	6,542,636	2,248,241	9,189,686
Other income	54,859,095	45,606,403	39,203,978	108,562,100	9,173,208
Total other income	64,830,181	62,258,697	45,746,614	110,810,341	18,362,894
Total Operating income	295,057,647	284,263,158	281,048,002	243,874,983	192,971,533
Net impairment reversal / (charge) on other financial assets	362,254	120,299	(696,680)	-	-
Net operating income after net impairment loss on financial assets	295,419,901	284,383,457	280,351,322	243,874,983	192,971,533
Personnel expenses	(23,330,656)	(23,681,401)	(22,354,351)	(20,704,772)	(20,727,835)
Right-of-use asset amortisation	(921,610)	-	-	-	-
Operating lease expenses	-	(663,998)	(654,665)	(670,172)	(674,958)
Depreciation and amortization	(18,640,546)	(14,255,334)	(13,042,425)	(12,730,298)	(10,787,370)
Other operating expenses	(52,349,199)	(55,811,554)	(60,652,252)	(58,401,172)	(47,754,313)
Total expenses	(95,242,011)	(94,412,287)	(96,703,693)	(92,506,414)	(79,944,476)
Profit before income tax	200,177,890	189,971,170	183,647,629	151,368,569	113,027,057
Income tax expense	(25,052,609)	(23,218,086)	(24,919,924)	(27,168,695)	(18,718,934)
Profit for the year	175,125,281	166,753,084	158,727,705	124,199,874	94,308,123

Earnings per share for the profit from continuing operations attributable to the equity holders of the parent entity during the year (expressed in Naira per share):

- Basic	5.95	5.67	5.39	4.31	3.20
- Diluted	5.95	5.67	5.39	4.31	3.20



SHARE CAPITALISATION HISTORY

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Share Capitalisation History						
YEAR	AUTHORISED INCREASE	CUMULATIVE	ISSUED INCREASE	CUMMULATIVE	NO. OF SHARES	CONSIDERATION
1991	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	25,000,000	Cash
1992	35,000,000	60,000,000	NIL	25,000,000	25,000,000	NIL
1993	NIL	60,000,000	25,000,000	50,000,000	50,000,000	Scrip
1994	40,000,000	100,000,000	NIL	50,000,000	50,000,000	NIL
1995	NIL	100,000,000	50,000,000	100,000,000	100,000,000	SCRIP
1996	100,000,000	200,000,000	300,000,000	400,000,000	400,000,000	Cash
1997	300,000,000	500,000,000	600,000,000	1,000,000,000	1,000,000,000	SCRIP
1998	250,000,000	750,000,000	500,000,000	1,500,000,000	1,500,000,000	SCRIP
1999	NIL	750,000,000	NIL	1,500,000,000	1,500,000,000	NIL
2000	NIL	750,000,000	NIL	1,500,000,000	1,500,000,000	NIL
2001	250,000,000	1,000,000,000	500,000,000	2,000,000,000	2,000,000,000	Initial Public Offer
2002	1,000,000,000	2,000,000,000	500,000,000	2,500,000,000	2,500,000,000	SCRIP
2003	NIL	2,000,000,000	500,000,000	3,000,000,000	3,000,000,000	SCRIP
2004	1,000,000,000	3,000,000,000	1,000,000,000	4,000,000,000	4,000,000,000	SCRIP
2004	NIL	3,000,000,000	2,000,000,000	6,000,000,000	6,000,000,000	Public Offer
2005	2,000,000,000	5,000,000,000	NIL	6,000,000,000	6,000,000,000	NIL
2006	NIL	5,000,000,000	2,000,000,000	8,000,000,000	8,000,000,000	SCRIP
2007	2,500,000,000	7,500,000,000	2,000,000,000	10,000,000,000	10,000,000,000	SCRIP
2007	NIL	7,500,000,000	3,679,415,650	13,679,415,650	13,679,415,650	GDR Underlying Shares
2008	7,500,000,000	15,000,000,000	1,243,583,241	14,922,998,890	14,922,998,890	SCRIP
2008	NIL	15,000,000,000	3,730,749,723	18,653,748,613	18,653,748,613	SCRIP
2009	NIL	15,000,000,000	4,663,437,153	23,317,185,766	23,317,185,766	SCRIP
2010	15,000,000,000	30,000,000,000	NIL	23,317,185,766	23,317,185,766	NIL
2010	20,000,000,000	50,000,000,000	5,829,296,442	29,146,482,207	29,146,482,207	SCRIP
2011	NIL	50,000,000,000	284,697,017	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	IFC Special Placement
2012	NIL	50,000,000,000	NIL	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	NIL
2013	NIL	50,000,000,000	NIL	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	NIL
2014	NIL	50,000,000,000	NIL	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	NIL
2015	NIL	50,000,000,000	NIL	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	NIL
2016	NIL	50,000,000,000	NIL	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	NIL
2017	NIL	50,000,000,000	NIL	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	NIL
2018	NIL	50,000,000,000	NIL	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	NIL
2019	NIL	50,000,000,000	NIL	29,431,179,224	29,431,179,224	NIL

SHARE CAPITALISATION HISTORY

Dividend History

Ten-year dividend and unclaimed dividend history as at December 31, 2019

Dividend No.	Dividend Type	Financial Year Ended	Total Dividend Amount Declared	Dividend Per Share	Net Dividend Amount Unclaimed as at	Percentage Dividend Amount Unclaimed
Payment 35	Final	31-12-09	13,990,311,460.50	75 kobo	580,593,980.49	4.15%
Payment 36	Interim	24-09-10	5,829,296,441.75	25 kobo	231,977,521.46	3.98%
Payment 37	Final	31-12-10	17,487,889,324.50	75 kobo	691,697,799.28	3.96%
Payment 38	Interim	09-09-11	7,286,620,552.30	25 Kobo	292,246,257.23	4.01%
Payment 39	Final	31-12-11	25,016,502,340.40	85 Kobo	914,528,098.48	3.66%
Payment 40	Interim	09-11-12	7,357,794,806.00	25 Kobo	278,154,150.84	3.78%
Payment 41	Final	31-12-12	38,260,532,991.20	130 kobo	1,367,689,651.01	3.57%
Payment 42	Interim	12-09-13	7,357,794,806.00	25 Kobo	302,603,926.06	4.11%
Payment 43	Final	31-12-13	42,675,209,874.80	145 kobo	1,626,875,072.91	3.81%
Payment 44	Interim	15-09-14	7,357,794,806.00	25 Kobo	294,981,750.66	4.01%
Payment 45	Final	31-12-14	44,146,768,836.00	150 kobo	1,611,850,951.56	3.65%
Payment 46	Interim	18-09-15	7,357,794,806.00	25 Kobo	279,394,725.84	3.80%
Payment 47	Final	31-12-15	44,735,392,420.48	152 Kobo	1,591,035,235.67	3.56%
Payment 48	Interim	09-09-16	7,357,794,806.00	25 Kobo	288,698,537.07	3.92%
Payment 49	Final	31-12-16	51,504,563,642.00	175 kobo	1,903,736,713.64	3.70%
Payment 50	Interim	05-09-17	8,829,353,767.20	30 kobo	361,654,857.92	4.10%
Payment 51	Final	31-12-17	70,634,830,137.60	240 kobo	4,018,945,510.57	5.69%
Payment 52	Interim	29-08-18	8,829,353,767.20	30 kobo	504,677,382.65	5.72%
Payment 53	Final	31-12-18	72,106,389,098.80	245 kobo	4,123,715,765.46	5.72%
Payment 54	Interim	10-09-19	8,829,353,767.20	30 kobo	509,165,779.867	5.77%



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Executive Director, Guaranty Trust Bank Liberia

Adesina Adebessin

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Chief Operating Officer, Guaranty Trust Bank Tanzania



PRODUCTS & SERVICES



Quick Credit

Are you a salary earner with need for more cash upfront? Quick Credit is for you. Cheap, easy and readily available, Quick Credit gives you funds worth up to three months of your salary at an interest rate of 1.75% monthly to pay back over 12 months or a year.

QUICK CREDIT FOR BUSINESS

This is a time loan product aimed at financing the working capital of small businesses in various industries. Quick Credit for Business offers small enterprises up to 10 Million Naira at a low-interest rate of 1.33% monthly to pay back over 6 - 12 months.



GTCrea8 Account

Free Banking for Undergraduates Aged 16 - 25.

The GTCrea8 Account is an interest-bearing account designed to provide Students of post-secondary institutions with value-added banking services which are tailored to their lifestyle and designed for their needs. GTCrea8 also allows undergraduates between the ages of 16-25 to bank for free with Guaranty Trust Bank (GTBank).

Some of the charges that GTCrea8 account holders do not have to pay for include charges on bank transfers, even when the transfer is to other banks. Undergraduates will also not be charged for transactions using the Bank's Internet Banking Platform, Mobile Banking Applications and 737 USSD service. They will also not be charged for transaction alerts.

GTCrea8 account holders will also enjoy special offers and discounts when they make use of GTBank's trendsetting digital platforms, such as Habari, which offers access to music and video streaming, shopping, messaging, and bills payment all in one place.



Habari

Habari gives you unlimited access to local and international music, and at the same time, allows you to shop online, split bills with friends and take care of your everyday needs, in one place.

With Habari you can:

PLAY Everything: From the hit songs of your favourite artists to thrilling Ndani series and short videos.

CHAT: with friends in new and exciting ways, shake your phone to find friends, split bills at hangouts or when shopping and send money as easily as you send an emoji.

SHOP: your home essentials, fresh groceries, ready to wear fashion items and your favourite gadgets, all with discounts and deals to match.

PAY: bills or anyone from your Habari Wallet.



GTWORLD **It's Banking, only Easier.**

With GTWorld, you have a Mobile Banking App that is designed to cater to all that's important to you easily and seamlessly. The unique facial recognition feature means that you now have mobile banking App that recognizes you and adapts to how and when you want to bank.



Food Industry Credit

Looking to grow your food business? Now you can get all the financing you need with the GTBank Food Industry Credit, which offers you a single digit interest rate loan of just 9% per annum.



Fashion Industry Credit

Building a fashion business is one of the most exciting things you can do, when you have the right support. That is why we have created a single digit interest rate loan at 9% to provide entrepreneurs in the fashion industry with all the financing they need to



GTCONNECT

Nigeria's first interactive contact centre
GTConnect is our interactive contact centre that provides you with instant service via telephone. It is accessible from anywhere in the world and open for business 24 hours a day, seven days a week; even on public holidays.

GTConnect allows you perform 90% of your transactions via the telephone. Customers can check account(s) balances, request electronic cards, request cheque books, stop cheques, reactivate dormant accounts, effect own and 3rd party transfers within GTBank and get up to date information on every aspect of the Bank's operations using this medium.

Our GTConnect numbers are: 0700 482 666 328, 01 4480000, 080 2900 2900 or 080 3900 3900.

*For all international calls, please use the prefix +234



GTBank Internet Banking

The Guaranty Trust Bank Internet Banking Service is a free, reliable and flexible way of managing your bank account(s) conveniently 24/7 from anywhere in the world. Our internet Banking Service is equipped to enable you make 3rd party transfers to all bank accounts in Nigeria and foreign exchange transfers to any account in the world. You can also perform own account transfers, check account balances, print account statements, apply for loans and stop/confirm cheques.

Please visit www.gtbank.com to experience our internet banking service.



GTBank Automated Payment System (GAPS)

GAPS is a web-based service that facilitates the processing of vendor (and other) payments in batches, using either a dial-up connection to the Bank or a secured (https) connection over the Internet. It also gives you 24/7 online real-time access to your account.

The GAPS application form can be downloaded at www.gtbank.com, completed and submitted at any of our branches nationwide.



GTPAY

A convenient and highly secure online payment gateway

GTPAY is an Internet-based payment gateway solution which facilitates online payments using both local and International cards. This product enables corporate customers accept payments through their websites from their customers wherever they are worldwide, thereby taking their businesses global.

The benefits of GTPAY include: convenience, international acceptance, global reach, reduced costs, increased sales and promotion of cashless transactions. GTPAY is an essential solution for every customer with an online presence.

The GTPAY application form can be downloaded at www.gtbank.com, completed and submitted at any of our branches nationwide.



GeNS

Giving you realtime information on your transactions

The Guaranty Trust Bank electronic Notification Service (GeNS) provides instant details of transactions on your account(s).

This service is designed to generate and send out notification prompts to customers via electronic mail and SMS*. Whenever any transaction is carried on customers' account(s), GeNS ensures these customers have real time knowledge of their transactions.

Customers are automatically registered for Electronic mail notifications which is free for all Guaranty Trust Bank customers

You can subscribe for GeNs (SMS notifications) via any of the following options listed below:

1. Self Profiling via SMS: Simply send "Gens < NUBAN>" to 08076665555 from your mobile phone number registered with the bank. For example; "Gens 0103050709" to 08076665555
2. Self Profiling via ATMs: On the ATM home-page, click on "more services" and select "Register for SMS alert", then follow the steps as shown.
3. Self Profiling via Internet Banking: On Internet Banking home-page, click on the "Self Service" tab and select "Transaction Alert Activation", then fill the form provided and click "Submit" to be registered for SMS notifications



GTBank Point of Sale (POS) Terminal

The GTBank Point of Sale (PoS) terminal is a portable device that allows bank customers (irrespective of the financial institution they bank with) make payments for goods and services with their debit cards. The device provides a convenient, modern and efficient way of processing real time payments and supports a variety of other financial transactions that include; printing mini statements, cash advances, balance enquires, loading funds from a current/savings account unto a cash card and vending airtime (recharge).

The benefits of a GTBank POS terminal to Merchants include:

- Improved efficiency (minimizes cash handling costs and aids account reconciliation),
- Reduction inoperational costs associated with equipment for handling cash receipts,
- Minimized exposure to theft.

Merchants can request for GTBank POS terminals by downloading a POS Merchant Registration form at www.gtbank.com, completing it and submitting at any of our branches nationwide.

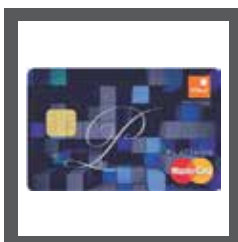


GTBank Naira Debit MasterCard **It's more than an ATM Card**

The GTBank Naira Debit MasterCard is a multi-purpose debit card issued in partnership with MasterCard to provide unlimited access to customers' accounts.

The card is linked to your Naira Denominated GTBank Current and/or Savings account and can be used for online transactions, to pay for goods and services at Point of Sale (POS) terminals and also to withdraw cash from ATMs (Local ATMs only), wherever the MasterCard logo is displayed.

Please visit any GTBank branch to request for the GTBank Naira MasterCard.



GTBank Platinum Debit MasterCard **It's more than an ATM Card**

The GTBank Platinum Debit MasterCard is a Naira denominated premium card which offers the cardholder with premium benefits beyond those enjoyed by Standard Naira MasterCard holders. These include travel benefits, preferential treatment/ rewards, higher transaction limits and access to exclusive products/services offered by partner organisations.

The GTBank Platinum Debit MasterCard is issued by invitation only.



GTBank Dollar Debit MasterCard **Experience a World without Limits**

The GTBank Dollar Debit MasterCard is an international payment card issued in partnership with MasterCard Worldwide. It is denominated in US Dollars and can be used to settle payments in other major currencies. All transactions with the GTBank Dollar Debit MasterCard are charged to your account in real time. There is no spending limit on the GTBank Dollar Debit MasterCard for POS terminals and Online transactions. You can also withdraw up to \$1,000 daily on the Card. You can apply for the GTBank Dollar Debit MasterCard via any one of the following options:

- GTWorld Mobile App: Download the app from your app store, input your online banking login details and select "Cards".
- Internet Banking: Visit www.gtbank.com, input your login details on the online banking portal and click on the "Cards" tab.
- GTBank branch: Visit our customer information desk to fill out a Dollar Card application form.



GTBank World MasterCard **With You as You Conquer the World**

The GTBank World MasterCard is a prestigious card designed to deliver unique and exclusive benefits to our premium cardholders. It features extensive purchasing and travel benefits that are carefully designed to provide privileged access and memorable experiences.

Special benefits include: Global Concierge services, Priority Pass - Access to 600 VIP airport lounges worldwide and 24 hour MasterCard Global Service for emergencies.

The GTBank World MasterCard is issued strictly by invitation.



GTBank Dollar Credit MasterCard **Experience a World without Limits**

The GTBank Dollar Credit MasterCard is an international payment card issued in partnership with MasterCard Worldwide. It is denominated in US Dollars and can be used to settle payments in other currencies.

There is no transaction spending limit on the card for POS terminals and Online transactions. You can also withdraw up to \$1,000 daily on the Card.

Please visit any GTBank branch to request for the GTBank Dollar Credit MasterCard.

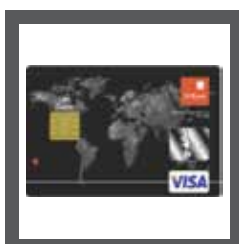


The GTBank Prepaid Utility Card A Card for your Errands

The GTBank Prepaid Utility Card is an all-purpose card that can be used to make a wide variety of payments. The card is designed to provide ultimate convenience, flexibility and security, making casual purchases at supermarkets and shops, purchasing fuel at filling stations and so much more!

Unlike other GTBank Naira Cards, the GTBank Prepaid Utility Card is prepaid, which means you will have to load cash on the card prior to use.

Please visit any GTBank branch to request for the GTBank Prepaid Utility Card.

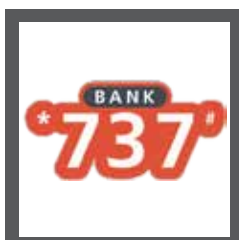


GTBank Visa Dollar Classic Credit Card Experience a World without Limits

The GTBank Visa Dollar Credit card is an international payment card issued in partnership with Visa International. It is denominated in US Dollars and can be used to settle payments in other major currencies.

There is no transaction spending limit on the card for POS terminals and Online transactions. You can also withdraw up to \$1,000 daily on the Card.

Please visit any GTBank branch to request for the GTBank Visa Dollar Classic Credit Card.



BANK 737

737 Banking is our USSD-based Banking platform that allows you access all the banking services they need by simply dialling *737# on your mobile phone. Some of the services available on the platform include:

Open Account: To open a GTBank Account instantly from anywhere in Nigeria, simply dial *737*0# on your mobile phone and follow the prompts.

***737* Funds Transfer:** This service enables GTBank customers conveniently transfer funds to both GTBank and other bank account holders in Nigeria.

For transfers to GTBank accounts, Simply dial *737*1*Amount*NUBAN#

e.g. *737*1*1000*1234567890# from the mobile number registered with the Bank. For transfers to other Banks, Simply dial *737*2*Amount*NUBAN# e.g. *737*2*1000*1234567890# from the mobile number registered with the Bank. Please note that the last four digits of your GTBank Naira MasterCard is needed to authenticate each transaction.

***737* Airtime Purchase:** For self-purchase, Simply dial *737*Amount# e.g. *737*1000# from the mobile number registered with the Bank.

For 3rd party-purchase, Simply dial *737*Amount*recipient's mobile no# e.g. *737*1000*08012345678#.

737 Cardless Withdrawal: You can withdraw cash from GTBank ATMs nationwide without your card, by simply dialling *737*3*AMOUNT#.



GTBank Dollar Debit Visa Card **Experience a World without Limits**

The GTBank Dollar Debit Visa Card is an international payment card issued in partnership with Visa International and accepted as a means of payment in over 200 countries and territories worldwide. It is denominated in US Dollars and can be used to settle payments in other currencies. All transactions with the GTBank Dollar Debit Visa Card are charged to your Dollar Card account in real time.

There is no transaction spending limit on the card for POS terminals and Online transactions. You can also withdraw up to \$1,000 daily on the Card.

You can apply for the GTBank Dollar Debit MasterCard via any of the following channels:

- GTWorld Mobile App: Download the app from your app store, input your online banking login details and select "Cards".
- Internet Banking: Visit www.gtbank.com, input your login details on the online banking portal and click on the "Cards" tab.
- GTBank branch: Visit our customer information desk to fill out a Dollar Card application form.

The GTBank Prepaid Virtual Card **A Card for your Online Payments**

The GTBank Virtual Naira MasterCard is a digital payment Card designed to provide you with a secure and flexible alternative to physical payment cards.

It is designed primarily for:

- Customers who prefer not to use their Debit/CreditCards linked to their regular bank account online.
- As a fall back option to customers who have forgotten or lost their Card, but need to perform urgent online purchase.

As a prepaid card, the GTBank Prepaid Virtual Card is preloaded through money transfer from your regular account to a Card account.

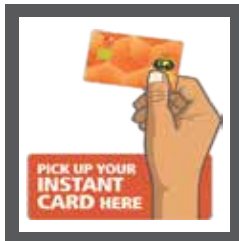
To get a GTBank Virtual Naira MasterCard, simply log on to Internet Banking to create your prepaid card instantly.

GTBank personalized Card Delivery Service **A home delivery service for all Platinum Cardholders.**

With the GTBank personalized Card Delivery Service, you can get your Platinum Cards delivered to your home. You can request for this service via any one of the following channels:

- 737: Dial *737*33*13*13#
- Internet Banking: Log on to Internet Banking and select "Card Delivery/Transfer" under the "Cards" menu.

Please note that this service is currently available only within Lagos State.



Instant Card Issuance Service Ready When You Are

If your GTBank Naira MasterCard is missing, damaged or you just need a new Card, you can get a new Card INSTANTLY. Simply walk in, request for a replacement Debit Card and walk out with the new Debit Card in-hand....Instantly!

Please note that this service is currently available in all GTBank branches.



GTBank Digital Newsstand Extra! Extra! Read all about it

The Digital Newsstand is an innovative digital platform designed for news readers to access newspaper & magazine content on-the-go from the leading publishers in Nigeria.

The Digital Newsstand is accessible on your mobile device or personal computer, and it provides you with a comprehensive archive past publications; all for less than half the price of print publications.

Please visit <https://newsstand.gtbank.com> to subscribe to the GTBank Digital Newsstand.

For more enquiries, please send an e-mail to collaborations@gtbank.com for more enquiries.

Individual Current Account



The Guaranty Trust Bank Current Account is a checking account which allows you to conduct own and 3rd party transactions from over 200 business locations nationwide using our real-time online IT platform.

The account is unique because it has no minimum account balance requirements and further enables you to safely and securely conduct online transactions whilst on the move.

The account accepts all clearing house instruments including cheques, dividend warrants and allows you access your funds from all ATMs with the MasterCard sign world wide.

Having a Guaranty Trust Bank current account also gives you free access to our internet banking service 24/7, GTConnect and GeNs; thereby providing a convenient way of managing your day-to-day finances.

The current account opening form can be downloaded from our website, www.gtbank.com, completed and submitted along with all required documents at any of our branches nationwide.

Domiciliary Account

The Guaranty Trust Bank Domiciliary account is a foreign currency based current account. The account is available in US Dollar, British Pounds and Euro Currencies. We also provide dollar cheque books to aid third party withdrawals and have a very efficient means of transferring funds abroad.



GTSAVE (savings account)

GTSave is an interest bearing savings account that also offers account holders access to our internet banking service, GTConnect, GeNS and other e-channels.

The account comes with a Guaranty Trust Bank Naira MasterCard which is accepted at 33 million merchant locations worldwide and all ATMs that have the MasterCard logo worldwide.

The savings account opening form can be downloaded from our website, www.gtbank.com, completed and submitted along with required documents at any of our branches.



SMART KIDS SAVE (SKS) ACCOUNT

A Savings Account for Kids & Teenagers

The Guaranty Trust Bank Smart Kids Save (SKS) and SKS Teens Card accounts are unique products that enable parents to save for their children whilst inculcating in their kids the value of saving. To open an SKS Account for your child (aged 0-19), please visit any of our branches nationwide.

Children 13 and above get an SKS Teens Card account which, depending on the preference of the parent, can come with a debit MasterCard that is acceptable worldwide for POS and Web transactions. Parents can now also save for their kids in multiple currencies, including Dollars, Pounds, and Euros. To get started, you can send an email to sks@gtbank.com.

SKS Account holders also enjoy complimentary invites to events and competitions as well as access to subsidized services such as discounted health and educational plans from AxaMansard. For more information please visit www.gtbank.com



GTMax

Something for everyone

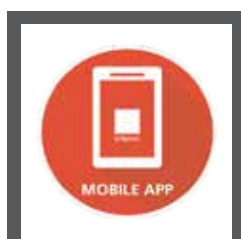
GTMax is a high yield current account enabling customers to minimize bank charges* whilst earning interest on their balances.

The account is available in three variants; Platinum, Gold and Silver, with each variant uniquely designed to ensure there is something for everyone.

Account holders enjoy Zero Account Maintenance fees* and free customized cheque book*

A GTMax Account opening form can be downloaded at www.gtbank.com, completed and submitted along with required documents at any of our branches nationwide.

(*TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY)



Mobile Banking App

Our Mobile Banking App lets you carry your bank with you wherever you go. You can perform transactions and manage your bank account(s) from your mobile device. It is secure and very simple to use.



Seniors Account Bank for free

The Seniors Account is a current account which offers free banking services to senior Nigerian citizens who are aged 65 years and above.

Seniors Account holders enjoy Zero Account Maintenance fee, free Debit Naira MasterCards, cheque books, SMS notifications and access to Priority service in our branches.

A Seniors Account opening form can be downloaded at www.gtbank.com, completed and submitted along with required documents at any of our branches nationwide.



GT-TARGET

The GT-Target Account is a savings account with competitive interest rates designed to help customers save towards specific goals.

It is a non-transactional account funded via monthly/quarterly or semi-annually standing order Instructions.

The account offers an additional 10% interest bonus if the standing instruction is maintained for 1 year.

A GT-Target Account opening form can be downloaded at www.gtbank.com, completed and submitted along with required documents at any of our branches nationwide. The account can also be opened from the request menu on our internet banking platform.



GTBank's Non Resident Nigerian (NRN) Service

The Non Resident Nigerian service is a platform that provides Nigerians who reside abroad access to a wide range of products and services. These include accounts, investment products, cards, transfers and remittances, electronic banking and notification services. It is an effective channel for Nigerians to open and operate a GTBank account from anywhere in the world.

To take advantage of this service, please visit www.gtbank.com, download the NRN account opening form, complete it and e-mail the form along with copies of all required documents to nrnaccount@gtbank.com.



GTBusiness Account

The GTBusiness account is a fixed charge current account designed specifically for Small and Medium scale business (SMEs) with monthly turnover of N50million.

With its fixed charge feature, the GTBusiness account helps minimize costs for small businesses.

The GTBusiness account can be opened in any of our branches nationwide.

A GTBusiness account opening form can be downloaded at www.gtbank.com, completed and submitted along with the required documents at any of our branches nationwide.



MAXADVANCE

MaxAdvance is an all-purpose loan designed to meet the financial needs of staff of corporate and government organisations* whose salary accounts reside with us.

Qualifying customers can apply for this product on the GTBank internet banking platform or download an application form at www.gtbank.com. An application form can also be picked up at any of our branches nationwide.

(*TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY)



MAXPLUS

MaxPlus is a personal loan product designed to address the unique financial needs of staff of select corporate and public organisations that have their salary accounts domiciled with the Bank and earn a minimum net annual income of N10 million*.

Qualifying customers can apply for this product by downloading a Maxplus application form at www.gtbank.com. An application form can also be picked up at any of our branches nationwide.

(*TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY)



GTSALARY ADVANCE

Cash Guaranteed... anytime of the month

GTSalary Advance is a short term overdraft product which allows you withdraw cash against your monthly salary. The product is designed for convenience and enables customers draw up to 50% of their monthly salary in advance without having to provide any form of security.

Customers can apply for this product on our Internet Banking platform, ATMs, GTworld App, or by downloading a Salary Advance application form at www.gtbank.com or by dialling *737#. An Application form can also be picked up from any of our branches nationwide.



GTMORTGAGE

GTMortgage is a product that provides customers with mortgage facilities to part-finance the outright acquisition of residential properties at very attractive rates in location acceptable to the Bank.

The product is available to both public and private sector employees.

Customers can apply for this product on the GTBank internet banking platform or by downloading a GTMortgage application form at www.gtbank.com. An application form can also be picked up at any of our branches nationwide.

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SCHOOL FEES ADVANCE

The GTBank School Fees Advance provides credit facility to our customers who are parents in order to meet up with the school fees commitments for their children and wards.

This product is available to customers working for public and private institutions and whose salary accounts are domiciled with the bank.

Customers can apply for this facility by downloading a School Fees Advance application form at www.gtbank.com. An application form can also be picked up at any of our branches nationwide. (*TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY)



Invoice Discounting Facility For Small And Medium Scale Enterprises (SMEs)

The Invoice Discounting Facility is a short term borrowing facility designed to promptly address the cash flow challenges and other business needs of SMEs by providing funds against receivables for jobs executed or services rendered. The facility enables receipts of up to 70% of the confirmed invoice value to be advanced for a pre-defined period prior to receipt of payments from Principals.

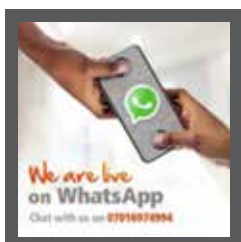
The service is available to SMEs in the contractor, service provider and professional firm sectors.

Customers can apply for this product by downloading an SME Invoice Discounting application form at www.gtbank.com or at any of our branches nationwide.



i-Refer

i-Refer is a customer loyalty initiative designed to reward loyal GTBank customers who refer their friends/family/relatives/business associates to GTBank. Customers can refer as many prospects as possible, using all available channels including the branch, internet banking, GTBank website and USSD. For every prospect who successfully opens an account, the referrer receives a cash reward into their account*. (*TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY)



WHATSAPP BANKING

Chat with us on 07016974994

The GTBank WhatsApp Banking channel offers our customers a more personalized and easy-to-access customer service from anywhere in the world. With WhatsApp Banking, customers can log complaints and dispense errors, open new accounts, make enquiries, and resolve service complaints.

Our WhatsApp number is 07016974994 and available between the hours of 8am and 5pm from Monday to Friday.



GTInstant

A Simplified Savings Account for anyone

GTInstant is a simplified account designed to enable individuals enjoy a banking relationship even when they do not possess the full documentation required to open a regular account.

GTInstant was introduced to enable the bank cater for the financial needs of a large segment of the nation's population that are presently financially excluded. Account holders enjoy zero opening and minimum balances.

To open a GTInstant account simply dial *737*0#



SME Term Loan for school: 'Build or Buy'

SME Term loan is a facility designed to part-finance the construction and purchase of school buildings. This product is targeted at registered and approved schools only.



GTBusiness Evolve

The GTBusiness Evolve is a term loan for that is targeted at helping SMEs acquire assets and expand their business. Available to small businesses across various sectors of the economy, the GTBusiness Evolve offers a flexible principal repayment and very competitive interest rate. (*TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY)



GTPatriot Account

The GTPatriot Account is a unique Salary Account Package which offers Nigeria's service men and service women subsidized banking products and dedicated value added services.

The GTPatriot Account operates on a zero minimum opening balance and automatically entitles account holders to life insurance, amongst other benefits. It is our little way of applauding and appreciating the invaluable service that women and men in military and paramilitary institutions offer to our great nation.

GTSweep Service Offering

GTSweep is a service that automatically transfers funds from a customer's funded account to cover a shortfall in an unfunded transacting account*. This service is applicable to cheque and card transactions only. It is available to both individual and joint account holders and can be set up in any of our branches nationwide or via Internet banking.



Spend 2 Save Service Offering

This service enables individual customers to save while spending by setting a savings percentage from 1%-5% on every debit transaction made via ATM, POS or online. The value of the set percentage is transferred to the Spend 2 Save account from the nominated account.

Spend 2 Save is available to individual and joint account customers and can be set up on any GTBank Mobile Application, via internet banking or in any of our branches nationwide.



iRequire Service

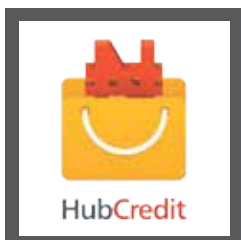
iRequire is a premium service designed to enable Personal Banking customers preorder whatever items they need, such as cash, cards, cheque books and account statements, amongst others, and pick up at their preferred time (including after banking hours and weekends).

To make use of the iRequire service, simply log on to Internet Banking.

Hub Advance

This is a revolving time loan designed to help SME owners on the SME MarketHub boost their inventory and grow their businesses.

Hub Advance is available to SMEs in the Home & Electronics, Clothing & Accessories, Food & Beverages as well as Health & Beauty sectors.



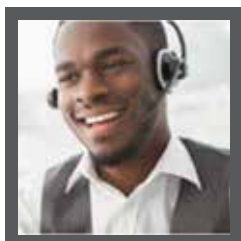
Hub Credit

Hub Credit is our new post-paid shopping plan which allows customers buy whatever they need on the SME MarketHub and pay back later in installment without having to think much about a lump sum payment.

Hub Credit provides customers with a spending limit of up to N1,000,000 and a minimum of N20,000 to shop on the SME MarketHub, and pay back within a period not exceeding 12 months or sooner (whichever works for you); and at an interest rate of 21% per annum.

Premium Advance (Revolving Debit Naira MasterCard Limit)

This is a card based overdraft facility offered to our customers whose salary accounts are domiciled with the bank. Premium Advance offers up to N1 Million overdraft with a 1 year tenor, very competitive interest rate and a 2% flat fee on N1million upon first utilization.



HELP CENTRE

www.gtbank.com/help-centre

This is our online, one-stop self-service platform where customers resolve issues or make enquiries about their account. The Help Centre also provides useful and easy-to-find information about the Bank's products and services with a wide range of Frequently Asked Questions and how-to guides covering everything, from banking basics to fraud protection.



CORPORATE
SOCIAL
RESPONSIBILITY

At Guaranty Trust Bank, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is hard-wired to our business strategy and a major lens through which we view our role in empowering communities, supporting sustainable development and bringing about a more inclusive and prosperous world. Helping people thrive and giving back to society is a fundamental part of who we are as a platform for enriching lives. It is for this reason that we continue to commit time, expertise and financial resources to improve educational outcomes for young people, support underserved communities, promote the Arts, protect the Environment and champion the endeavours and entrepreneurial ventures of our customers and people in communities where we operate.

Below is a summary of our Corporate Social Responsibility efforts for the year ended December 31, 2019. You can find a comprehensive overview of our CSR activities for the year on the CSR section of our corporate website: www.gtbank.com/csr

Pillar	Amount (₦)
Arts	500,000
Community Development	375,490,487
Education	117,395,826
Others	11,979,101
Total	505,365,414

Improving Access to Education for Children in Rural Communities

In May 2019, we kicked off a Nationwide campaign tagged #BeatTheDistance, in Jalingo, Taraba, to improve educational outcomes for children in rural communities by easing the difficulties they face with mobility to school and back. Through this initiative, we are providing hundreds of students in some of the remotest parts of the country with bicycles to reduce the time and energy they expend in getting to school, thereby helping them focus better on their academics. One of the beneficiaries of #BeatTheDistance is Jerry Hannatu, a student of the Government Technical Training School in Jalingo. Before receiving his bicycle, Jerry had to walk all of 10 kilometres to school every morning. He would spend an hour and a half on the road; meaning he needed to set out at least 2 hours before the bell for the first class was rung at school. Now, thanks to the #BeatTheDistance campaign, Jerry spends less than a quarter of the time he used commuting to and from school.

Rekindling the Culture of Reading

Online Book Club

In 2019, we spread the joy of reading to more people across Nigeria and beyond through our newly founded online book club, Pages. With Pages, readers were not just given book readings of the month, they were also provided with free physical copies of these books in order to grow the culture of reading and solve the major problems they face daily, which are affordability and accessibility to books. Since the inception of Pages, over 1000 free books have been delivered to the door stops of our readers across Nigeria.

Book Reading Sessions with Nigerian Authors

Our first book reading of the year was with Bisi Adjapon, the author of the highly-rated debut novel 'Of Women and Frogs,' at the GTBank YouRead Library, Yaba. Bisi's book has received very positive reviews from the public and her YouRead Book Reading Session served to further stimulate a culture of reading and encourage young people to embrace literature. Award-winning novelist, Oyinkan Braithwaite, was the second writer we hosted at the YouRead library to discuss her critically acclaimed book, 'My Sister, the Serial Killer'. The novel, a winner of the 2019 Rooster award and a favourite among book lovers, provided literature enthusiasts with an opportunity to connect with the author, learn about her writing process and gain so much more.

Simple Change Big Impact: Warri Library

In continuation of our #SimpleChangeBigImpact campaign, we sponsored an innovative Library Project in Warri, Delta State, which was carried out by NewWarri, a social reform organisation. The project included providing a free community library with the aim of filling the gap in learning resources for children and adults in local communities.

Being a Voice for People Living with Autism

For a decade, we have been at the forefront of the advocacy for people living with Autism and supported their parents and caregivers alike. In 2019 we continued to build on this support, organizing the 9th edition of the Annual Autism Conference themed Autism: Transitions, Vocational skills and The Role of Technology." The Annual Autism Conference brought to the fore the challenges facing children living with Autism as they grow into adulthood and featured renowned medical experts such as Dr. Loretta Burns, a leading expert in the field of neurodevelopmental disorders and the founder of ABE International Clinic, Dr. Tisa Hooper-Johnson, the Medical Director of the HFHS Center for Autism and Developmental Disabilities (CADD), the USA and Janette Washington, a speech-language pathologist, amongst others. Following the Autism Conference, we also held several series of free one-on-one consultations for children with Autism and other developmental challenges, as well as counselling sessions for parents and guardians.

Orange Heart Staff Charity Initiative

As embodiments of the Bank's values, our members of staff always come together to make a positive impact in the communities where they live and work through our Orange Heart Staff Charity Initiative. In 2019, our staff continued their long-held commitment to people living with Sickle Cell, raising funds throughout the year to cover the cost of healthcare for sickle cell patients. They also actively participated in our Staff Responsibility Challenge wherein, coming together in groups, they undertook dozens of social projects across the communities where our branches are located.

In December, staff members came together again to spread the spirit of the holidays in Massey's Children's hospital. The staff

organized a Christmas party and were also present to ring in the holidays with the children, treating them to gifts and making sure they had some fun for the season. These employee-led social causes reflect the DNA of our bank as an organisation of globally-minded and socially conscious people inspired by the vision to be champions of progress and driven by an unflinching commitment to touching lives.

Promoting Financial Literacy

In line with the mandate by the Central Bank of Nigeria to achieve financial inclusion and enhance the knowledge of young people on finance, we marked the Financial Literacy Day in Port Harcourt, Benue, Cross-River, Kaduna, Ebonyi, Kogi & Ondo states. Over 2,000 students were positively impacted through this financial literacy training exercise.

Building Nigeria's First Digital Play Centre

How and where children play contributes significantly to their cognitive and intellectual development. In the first half of 2019, we completed and launched the GTBank PlayCenter, Africa's first digital playground for children. Equipped with a wide range of interactive games, the Play Centre gives children a fun and immersive digital experience whilst aiding their mental and intellectual development.

Some features of the Play Centre include the Sketch Town, where kids can design cars, launch rockets, and bring all their sketches to life. At the playground, children can also use the wide range of bricks available to build whatever excites their curiosity and also express themselves creatively by scribbling, writing and drawing on a digital chalkboard.

The 2019 GTBank Food and Drink Festival

Created in 2016, the GTBank Food and Drink Festival has become the premier culinary event in Africa, bringing together more than 600,000 people from across the continent and beyond to support and celebrate Nigeria's vibrant and burgeoning small businesses in the food retail sector. In 2019, the GTBank Food and Drink Festival which held for 4 days featured over a dozen food and drink experts from around the world and offered free retail spaces to 300 small businesses in Nigeria's food industry. By the end of the festival, we had not only put together Africa's biggest food and drink festival we had also given hundreds of thousands of people the exposure, networks, and inspiration to build the successful businesses that will power Africa's economic transformation.

2019 GTBank Fashion Weekend

Since 2016, the GTBank Fashion Weekend has brought together industry leaders, style connoisseurs and fashion enthusiasts across the globe to interact with hundreds of thousands of young Africans passionate about fashion and entrepreneurship. During the 4th edition of the GTBank Fashion Weekend, held from Saturday the 9th and Sunday the 10th of November 2019 guests were treated to an exciting repertoire of fashion moments, from fashion and entrepreneurial masterclasses facilitated by internationally renowned fashion experts to enthralling runway shows that presented the latest in fashion styles and design trends. The event also provided more than 130 indigenous small businesses with free stalls to showcase and sell Africa's finest ensemble of apparel and fashion accessories.

Trunk Show

For the first time ever, the GTBank fashion weekend hosted a trunk show, which featured 15 of Nigeria and Africa's rising designers who gave an exclusive showcase of their latest collection. To promote the designers, the Trunk Show had in attendance, the Buying Director of Matches Fashion Natalie Kingham, Editor in Chief of Wonderland Magazine Toni Blaize, Editor in Chief of Vogue, Hong Kong, David Au, amongst others.

Sketch to Fame

The Sketch2Fame competition is part of the GTBank Fashion Weekend initiative which provides young and aspiring fashion designers across Africa the opportunity to produce their fashion sketches and showcase it at the GTBank Fashion Weekend. This year the competition was opened to the public from September to October and after hundreds of entries from across Africa, Viera Amber, a rising Nigeria fashion designer, emerged as the winner of the second edition of Sketch2Fame.



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S/No	BANK	LOCATION
1	ABSA BANK LIMITED	SOUTH AFRICA
2	BANK OF BEIRUT UK LTD	LONDON
3	BANK OF CHINA	CHINA
4	BANQUE CANTONALE DE GENEVE	SWITZERLAND
5	BYBLOS BANK LONDON	LONDON
6	CITIBANK, N.A.	LONDON, NEW YORK
7	CREDIT SUISSE	SWITZERLAND
8	DEUTSCHE BANK	HONK KONG, NEW YORK, GERMANY
9	GTBANK (UK) LTD	LONDON
10	ING BANK	BELGIUM
11	JP MORGAN CHASE	LONDON, NEW YORK
12	MASHREQ BANK	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
13	NORDEA BANK	SWEDEN
14	RAND MERCHANT BANK	SOUTH AFRICA
15	STANDARD BANK OF SOUTH AFRICA	SOUTH AFRICA
16	STANDARD CHARTERED BANK	LONDON, GERMANY, CHINA, HONG KONG, NEW YORK
17	SUMITOMO MITSUI BANKING CORPORATION	LONDON
18	SVENSKA HANDELSBANKEN	SWEDEN
19	UBS	SWITZERLAND

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S/N	STATE	LOCATION	ADDRESS
1	ABUJA (F C T)	Adetokunbo Ademola Wuse 2	Plot 98, Adetokunbo Ademola Crescent, Wuse 2 Abuja, Fct, Nigeria
2	ABUJA (F C T)	Aminu Kano Cres Wuse 2	Plot 1200A Ndjamena Cresent Off Aminu Kano Crescent, cadestral Zone A07, Abuja FCT, Nigeria
3	ABUJA (F C T)	Apo	Samuel Jereton Mariere Road, Gud District, Abuja
4	ABUJA (F C T)	Area 11 Garki	Plot 1473, Ahmadu Bello Way, Area 11, Garki, Abuja FCT, Nigeria.
5	ABUJA (F C T)	Asokoro	No.69, Yakubu Gowon Cresent, Asokoro District, Abuja FCT, Nigeria.
6	ABUJA (F C T)	Cadastral Zone, Cbd	Plot 171 Central Business District, next to Tofa house, Abuja FCT, Nigeria
7	ABUJA (F C T)	Garki, Area 3	Plot 1072, J.S Tarka/Faskari Street, Area 3, Abuja, FCT, Nigeria
8	ABUJA (F C T)	Gwagwalada	Plot 598, Gwagwalada Expansion Layout, University Teaching Hospital Road, Gwagwalada, Abuja, FCT
9	ABUJA (F C T)	Gwarinpa	Plot 140A, 3rd Avenue, Gwarinpa II Estate, Abuja
10	ABUJA (F C T)	Jabi	Plot 818, Jabi District, Jabi
11	ABUJA (F C T)	Kaura Namoda, Garki Area 3	Plot 1088, Cadastral Zone A1, Garki, Kaura Namoda Close, Abuja FCT, Nigeria
12	ABUJA (F C T)	Kubwa, Abuja	Plot 47, Cadastral Zone, 07-06 Kubwa Commercial District, Gado Nasko Road, Kubwa FCT, Nigeria
13	ABUJA (F C T)	National Assembly	National Assembly Complex, Three Arms Zone, Abuja FCT, Nigeria
14	ABUJA (F C T)	ULO Plaza	Plot 1953, Cadastral Zone A2, ULO Plaza, Zone 5, Abuja FCT, Nigeria
15	ABUJA (F C T)	Wuse 2 - Abuja	Plot 211, Adetokunbo Ademola Crescent, Cadastral Zone, Wuse 2, Abuja FCT, Nigeria
16	ABUJA (F C T)	Wuse Market - Abuja	Plot 2388, Cadestral Zone AO2, Herbert Macaulay way, Wuse Market, Abuja
17	LAGOS	Adeola Odeku	56A, Adeola Odeku Street, Victoria Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
18	LAGOS	Adetokunbo Ademola	714, Adetokunbo Ademola Street, Victoria Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
19	LAGOS	Ajah	Km 22, Lekki-Epe Expressway, Ajah, Lagos State, Nigeria
20	LAGOS	Ajose Adeogun	279, Ajose Adeogun Street, Victoria Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
21	LAGOS	Akin Adesola	635 Akin Adesola, Victoria Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
22	LAGOS	Bayo Kuku	19, Bayo Kuku Road, off Osborne Road, Ikoyi, Lagos State, Nigeria
23	LAGOS	Broad Street	82/86, Broad Street, Lagos State, Nigeria
24	LAGOS	Catholic Mission	22/24, Catholic Mission Street, Lagos Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
25	LAGOS	Chevron Drive	Block LXXIV A, Ojomu land, Beside Chevron Roundabout, Lekki/Epe Expressway, Lagos State, Nigeria
26	LAGOS	Idumota	134, Nnamdi Azikwe Street, Lagos Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
27	LAGOS	Ikota	Block K7 - 11 & K18 - 22, Ikota Shopping Complex, Lekki-Epe Expressway, Lagos State, Nigeria
28	LAGOS	Ikoyi- Awolowo Road	178, Awolowo Road, Ikoyi, Lagos State, Nigeria
29	LAGOS	Lekki	Block 5, Plot 5, Victoria Island Annex, Lekki, Lagos State, Nigeria
30	LAGOS	Lekki Admiralty Road	Block 31A, Admiralty way, Lekki Penninsular scheme, Lekki
31	LAGOS	Marina	49A, Marina Street, Lagos State, Nigeria
32	LAGOS	Moloney	30, Moloney Street, Lagos Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
33	LAGOS	Oke Arin	40, John Street, Oke-Arin, Lagos Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
34	LAGOS	Plural House	Plot 1669, Oyin Jolayemi Street, Victoria Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
35	LAGOS	St Gregory	No. 1 Obadeyi Close, off St. Gregory Road, Ikoyi, Lagos State, Nigeria
36	LAGOS	Tiamiyu Savage	Plot 1400, Tiamiyu Savage Road, Victoria Island, Lagos State, Nigeria
37	LAGOS	Abule Egba	402, Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway, Abule-Egba, Lagos State, Nigeria
38	LAGOS	Abule Egba 2	641 Lamgan Plaza Abule Tailor Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway, Abule-Egba, Lagos State, Nigeria

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39	LAGOS	Adeniyi Jones	31, Adeniyi Jones Avenue, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
40	LAGOS	Akowonjo	35, Shasha Road, Akowonjo, Lagos State, Nigeria
41	LAGOS	Alaba Market	13, Obosi Plaza, Alaba International Market, Lagos State, Nigeria
42	LAGOS	Alausa	Technical Reference Centre, Lagos State Secretariat, Alausa, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
43	LAGOS	Alausa CBD	Plot 11, Block A, IPM Road, Central Business District, Alausa, Lagos State, Nigeria
44	LAGOS	Allen Avenue	80/82, Allen Avenue, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
45	LAGOS	Amuwo Odofin	Plot B16, Block 41B, Akin Mateola Close, Amuwo Odofin Residential Scheme, Amuwo Odofin LGA.
46	LAGOS	Anthony	7, Anthony Village Road, Anthony Village, Lagos State, Nigeria
47	LAGOS	Apapa, Duolla Road	12, Dualla Road, Apapa, Lagos State.
48	LAGOS	Apapa1 - Commercial Road	Doyin House, 4 Commercial Avenue Apapa, Lagos State, Nigeria
49	LAGOS	Apapa2 Creek Road	35, Creek Road, Apapa, Lagos State, Nigeria
50	LAGOS	Aspamda (Trade Fair)	Zone A, R1 Aspamda Plaza, International Trade Fair Complex, Ojo, Lagos State, Nigeria
51	LAGOS	Ayangberu Ikorodu	68, Ayangbure Road, Ikorodu
52	LAGOS	Berger Paints Oba-Akran	Plot 10, Oba Akran Avenue, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
53	LAGOS	Bode Thomas 2	124, Bode Thomas Street, Surulere, Lagos State, Nigeria
54	LAGOS	Burma Road, Apapa	Plot 17, Burma Road, Apapa, Lagos State, Nigeria
55	LAGOS	Cele Ijesha	44, Ajijedun Street, Off Agulejika Bus -Stop Ijesha
56	LAGOS	Computer Village Ikeja	5, Osintelu Street, off Oremeji Street, Computer Village, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
57	LAGOS	Diya Gbagada	14, Diya Street, Ifako, Gbagada, Lagos State, Nigeria
58	LAGOS	Egbe	8, Egbe Road, Isolo, Lagos
59	LAGOS	Egbeda Idimu	26 - 28 Akowonjo Road, Egbeda, Lagos State, Nigeria
60	LAGOS	Festac	House 11, 301 Road, 2nd Avenue, Festac Town, Lagos State, Nigeria
61	LAGOS	Festac 2	Plot 22o, 23 Road, Opposite J Close, Festc Town
62	LAGOS	Ibafo	1, Bakare Street, Ibafo, Apapa Expressway, Lagos State, Nigeria
63	LAGOS	Idi - Oro	110, Agege Motor Road, Idi-Oro, Mushin, Lagos State, Nigeria
64	LAGOS	Iju	90, Iju Fagba Road, Iju
65	LAGOS	Ikorodu	47, Lagos Road, Ikorodu Town, Lagos State, Nigeria
66	LAGOS	Ikorodu 3 (Owutu-Agric)	No 218 Lagos Road, Owutu-Agric, Ikorodu, Lagos
67	LAGOS	Ikosi	Plot A3C, Ikosi Road, Oregun, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
68	LAGOS	Ikotun	No. 49, Idimu-Ikotun Road, Ikotun, Lagos State, Nigeria
69	LAGOS	Ilupeju	48, Town Planning Way, Ilupeju, Lagos State, Nigeria
70	LAGOS	Intl Airport Rd 2	10, International Airport Road, Mafoluku Oshodi, Lagos State, Nigeria.
71	LAGOS	Intl Airport Rd Isolo	15, International Airport Road, Isolo, Lagos State, Nigeria
72	LAGOS	Ipaja	199, Ipaja Road, Ipaja
73	LAGOS	Isheri/Omole	792, Shomide Odujirin Avenue, Omole Phase 2, Lagos.
74	LAGOS	Isolo	1, Abimbola Way, Isolo, Lagos State, Nigeria
75	LAGOS	Itire Road	41/43 Itire road, Surulere, Lagos
76	LAGOS	Ketu	570, Ikorodu Road, Ketu, Kosofe L.G.A, Lagos State, Nigeria
77	LAGOS	Laspotech	Lagos State Polytechnic, KM 7, Sagamu Road, Odogunyan, Ikorodu
78	LAGOS	Lawanson	Muniru Baruwa Shopping Complex By Olatilewa Junction Itire Road, Lawanson, Lagos State, Nigeria
79	LAGOS	Luth	Route 1, Lagos University Teaching Hospital (LUTH) premises, Idi-Araba, Lagos State, Nigeria
80	LAGOS	Magodo	16 CMD Road, Magodo, Lagos

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81	LAGOS	Masha	145, Ogunlana Drive by Masha Roundabout, Surulere
82	LAGOS	Matori	135, Ladipo Street, Matori, Lagos State, Nigeria
83	LAGOS	MM Way, Yaba	352, Murital Mohammed Way, Yaba Lagos
84	LAGOS	Mobolaji Bank Anthony Way	31, Mobolaji Bank-Anthony Way, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
85	LAGOS	Mushin	311, Agege Motor Road, Olorunsogo, Mushin, Lagos State, Nigeria
86	LAGOS	Oba Akran	33, Oba Akran Avenue, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
87	LAGOS	Ogba	4, Ogunnusi Road, Ogba, Lagos State, Nigeria
88	LAGOS	Ogba 2	19, Isheri Road, Opposite WAEC building, Ijaiye-Ogba, Ikeja
89	LAGOS	Ojodu	50, Isheri Road, Ojodu, Lagos State, Nigeria
90	LAGOS	Ojuelegba	74/76, Ojuelegba Road, Lagos State, Nigeria
91	LAGOS	Okota	115A, Okota Road, Okota, Lagos State, Nigeria
92	LAGOS	Onipanu	196, Ikorodu Road, Onipanu, Lagos State, Nigeria
93	LAGOS	Opebi	14, Opebi Road, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
94	LAGOS	Oregun	100, Kudirat Abiola Way, Oregun, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
95	LAGOS	Orile Coker	Plot 3, Block C, Amuwo Odofin Industrial Scheme, Orile Coker, Lagos State, Nigeria
96	LAGOS	Surulere- Bode Thomas	94, Bode Thomas Street, Surulere, Lagos State, Nigeria
97	LAGOS	Unilag	University of Lagos, Akoka, Lagos State, Nigeria
98	LAGOS	Western Avenue	89, Western Avenue, Surulere, Lagos State, Nigeria
99	LAGOS	Yaba	216/218, Herbert Macaulay Way, Yaba, Lagos State, Nigeria
100	NASARAWA	Karu	Plot 13754, Abuja – Keffi, Expressway, Mararaba, Karu, LGA., Nasarawa State, Nigeria
101	NASARAWA	Karu New Market	GTBank, Along Keffi Express Way, Before Orange Market, Mararaba, Nassarawa State.
102	NASARAWA	Lafia	Jos Road, Lafia, Nasarawa State, Nigeria
103	KOGI	Lokoja	Plot 27, IBB Way, Lokoja, Kogi State, Nigeria
104	BENUUE	Makurdi	41 A/B, New Bridge Road, Makurdi, Benue State, Nigeria
105	KOGI	Obajana	Obajana Cement Factory Complex, Obajana, Kogi State, Nigeria
106	KOGI	Okene	Auchi-Abuja Expressway, Okene, Kogi State, Nigeria
107	ADAMAWA	AUN Yola	American University of Nigeria, Yola, Adamawa State, Nigeria
108	BAUCHI	Azare (Closed)	No 1, Jama're Road, Azare, Bauchi State, Nigeria
109	KANO	Bayero University Kano VI	Bayero University, New site Campus, Gwarzo Rd, Kano
110	YOBE	Damaturu	Potiskum Road, Damaturu, Yobe State, Nigeria
111	JIGAWA	Dutse	Plot 727, Kiyawa Road, Dutse, Jigawa State, Nigeria
112	GOMBE	Gombe	Plot 45, New Commercial Layout, Gombe, Gombe State, Nigeria
113	TARABA	Jalingo	Plot 106B, Hamman Ruwa Way, Jalingo, Taraba State, Nigeria
114	KANO	Kano I	145 Muritala Mohammed Way, Kano, Kano State, Nigeria
115	KANO	Kano II - Zaria Road	Plot 22, Zaria Road, Gyadi-Gyadi, Kano Municipal District, Kano State, Nigeria
116	KANO	Kano III - Bello Road	Plot12E, Bello Road, Kano, Kano State, Nigeria
117	KANO	Kano IV - Bachiwara	24, Bachirawa road, Along Katsina Road, Kano, Kano State, Nigeria
118	KANO	Kano V - Wapa	59, Murtala Muhammed Way, Wapa, Kano, Kano State, Nigeria
119	KANO	France Road	11A Galadima Street, By France Road Junction, Kano State
120	BORNO	Maiduguri	59, Kashim Ibrahim Way, Maiduguri, Borno State, Nigeria
121	BORNO	Maiduguri II	81, Ali Monguno Street, Monday Market, Maiduguri, Borno State, Nigeria
122	ADAMAWA	Mubi	60, Ahmadu Bello Way, Mubi, Adamawa State, Nigeria

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123	TARABA	Wukari	No 3, Ibi Road, Wukari G.R A., Taraba State, Nigeria
124	ADAMAWA	Yola	No 43, Galadima Aminu Way, Jimeta-Yola, Adamawa State, Nigeria
125	KADUNA	Alkali Road	17B Alkali Road by Suleiman Crescent, Alkali Kaduna State
126	BAUCHI	Bauchi	No 6, Murtala Muhammed Way, Bauchi, Bauchi State, Nigeria
127	KEBBI	Birnin Kebbi	No 9, Sultan Abubakar Way, Birnin Kebbi, Kebbi State, Nigeria
128	ZAMFARA	Gusau	5, Sani Abacha Way, Gusau, Zamfara State, Nigeria
129	PLATEAU	Jos I - Jengre Road	13B, Commercial Layout, Jengre Road, Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria
130	PLATEAU	Jos II - Ahmadu Bello Way	Plot 1902, Ahmadu Bello Way, Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria
131	KADUNA	Kaduna 1 MM Square	7/10 Muritala Mohammed Square, Kaduna, Kaduna State, Nigeria
132	KADUNA	Kaduna 2 Nnamdi Azikwe	Plot 9-11, Nnamdi Azikiwe Expressway, Kaduna Bye pass, Kaduna, Kaduna State, Nigeria
133	KADUNA	Kaduna 3 Kano Road	PPMC, Kaduna, Kaduna State, Nigeria
134	KADUNA	Kaduna 4 (Barnawa)	Plot 1A, Zaire Road, Barnawa Phase 1, Barnawa, Kaduna, Kaduna State, Nigeria
135	KATSINA	Katsina	No. 120, IBB Way, Katsina, Katsina State, Nigeria
136	NIGER	Kontagora	Plot 6C, KTF 139, Lagos - Kaduna Road, Kontagora, Niger State, Nigeria
137	NIGER	Minna	Plot 4936, Paiko Road, Minna, Niger State, Nigeria
138	KADUNA	NDA Kaduna	N.D.A New site, Afarka, Mando, Kaduna State.
139	SOKOTO	Sokoto 1	No.101, Ahmadu Bello Way, Sokoto, Sokoto State, Nigeria
140	SOKOTO	Sokoto 2 Maduguri Rd	No.41, Maiduguri Road, Sokoto, Sokoto State, Nigeria
141	SOKOTO	Usman Dan Fodio	Usman Dan Fodiyo University, Sokoto, Nigeria
142	KADUNA	Zaria	13/15, Manchester Road, GRA, Zaria, Kaduna State, Nigeria
143	RIVERS	Aba Road - PH 2	Plot 279A, Tombia Street, off Aba Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria
144	RIVERS	Aba Road PH eBranch (Happy Bite)	Happy Bite Plaza, Opposite Air force base, Aba Road, Port Harcourt
145	RIVERS	East West Rd- PH 5	11, East West Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria
146	RIVERS	Ikwerre Rd- PH 6	225, Ikwerre Road Mile 4, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria
147	RIVERS	Industrial Layout - PH 7	Plot 23, Trans-Amadi Layout, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria
148	RIVERS	NAOC/Agip - PH 9	NAOC Agip New Base Station Rumueme, Port Harcourt, Rivers
149	RIVERS	Nnamdi Azikwe Road - PH 4	5, Nnamdi Azikiwe Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria
150	RIVERS	NTA Rd, Mgbuoba- PH 8	110 NTA Road, Location junction, Mgbuoba, Port Harcourt Rivers State, Nigeria
151	RIVERS	Rivers State Govt. Secretariat - PH 10	Ground Floor, Block A, RVSG Secretariat, Port Harcourt
152	RIVERS	Shell RA - PH 3	Plot 215, Aba – Port Harcourt Road, Shell Residential Area, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria
153	RIVERS	Trans Amadi - PH 1	44, Trans Amadi Industrial Layout, Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria
154	RIVERS	Woji	44 Woji Road, Port Harcourt City, Rivers State
155	ABIA	Aba I	28, Aba - Owerri Road, Aba, Abia State, Nigeria
156	ABIA	Aba II	4/6, Port-Harcourt Road, Aba, Abia State, Nigeria
157	EBONYI	Abakaliki	35A, Ogoja Road, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State, Nigeria
158	ANAMBRA	Awka	96, Nnamdi Azikiwe Avenue, Awka, Anambra State, Nigeria
159	ENUGU	Enugu I - Ogui Road	1, Ogui Road, Enugu, Enugu State, Nigeria
160	ENUGU	Enugu II - Rangers Avenue	Plot 381 Igboeze Street, Rangers Avenue, Independence Layout, Enugu, Enugu State, Nigeria
161	ANAMBRA	Nnamdi Azikwe University, Awka	Nnamdi Azikwe University, Awka Anambra State
162	ANAMBRA	Nnewi	No 7, Edo-Ezemewi Street, Nnewi, Anambra State, Nigeria

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163	ENUGU	Nsukka	No 16, University road, Nsukka Enugu State.
164	IMO	Okigwe (Closed)	Plot C/RH Government Layout Okigwe Township Owerri Road Imo State
165	ANAMBRA	Onitsha II - New Market	15, New Market Road, Onitsha, Anambra State, Nigeria
166	ANAMBRA	Onitsha III - Bridge Head	No 4, Port Harcourt Road, Niger bridge Onitsha
167	IMO	Orlu (Closed)	Plot 5 Asika Ilobi Street Orlu
168	IMO	Owerri	Plot 265, Ikenegbu Layout, Aladinma Ikenga Road, Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria
169	IMO	Owerri II	Plot 17, Port Harcourt Road, Opp. Owerri Girls High School, Owerri, Imo State, Nigeria
170	ABIA	Umuahia	34, Aba Road, (Opposite Federal Medical Centre) Umuahia, Abia State, Nigeria
171	DELTA	Airport Road, Warri	7B Airport Road, Warri, Delta State, Nigeria
172	DELTA	Asaba	457, Nnebisi Road Asaba, Delta State, Nigeria
173	DELTA	Asaba 2	Ezenel Avenue by Oni Edozien Road, Asaba Delta State
174	RIVERS	Bonny	34, King Perekule Road, Bonny Island, Rivers State, Nigeria
175	CROSS RIVER	Calabar	11, Calabar Road, Calabar, Cross River State, Nigeria
176	CROSS RIVER	Calabar 2	65, Marian Road, Calabar Municipality, Cross River State
177	DELTA	Delta State University, Abraka	Delta State University, Abraka, Delta State
178	DELTA	Effurun Road, Warri	85, Effurun-Warri, Effurun, Delta State, Nigeria
179	CROSS RIVER	Ikom	18, Ogoja Road, Ikom, Cross River State, Nigeria
180	DELTA	Sapele	80, Ajogodo, Sapele - Warri Road, Sapele, Delta State, Nigeria
181	AKWA-IBOM	Uyo	26, Aka Road, Uyo, Akwa Ibom State, Nigeria
182	AKWA-IBOM	Uyo 2	Plot 2, Block F, Salvation Army Road, Banking Layout, Uyo, Akwa Ibom
183	BAYELSA	Yenagoa	Barracuda Square, Ekeki-Ekpe Area, Yenogoa, Bayelsa State, Nigeria
184	OGUN	Abeokuta	IBB Boulevard Road, Abeokuta, Ogun State, Nigeria
185	EKITI	Ado-Ekiti	21/22, New Iyin/Secretariat Road, Ado Ekiti, Ekiti State, Nigeria
186	OGUN	Agbara	Plot C 2/4, Ilaro Road, Agbara Industrial Estate, Agbara, Ogun State, Nigeria
187	ONDO	Akure	Plot 3, Alagbaka Quarters, Alagbaka, Akure, Ondo State, Nigeria
188	OYO	Apata - Ibadan	SW9/21A, Ibadan - Abeokuta Road, Apata, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria
189	OGUN	Asero - Abeokuta	Block 7, Plot 17/20, Abeokuta/Ibadan Road, Asero, Abeokuta, Ogun State, Nigeria
190	EDO	Auchi	31, Polytechnic Road, Auchi, Edo State, Nigeria
191	OGUN	Babcock	Babcock University Campus, Ilisan-Remo, Ogun State, Nigeria
192	EDO	Benin I - Sapele Road	35B, Benin-Sapele Road, Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria
193	EDO	Benin II - Uselu	158, New Lagos Road, Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria
194	EDO	Benin III-Akpakpava	43, Akpakpava Street, Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria
195	EDO	Benin IV - Ekenwan Rd	No 90, Ekenwan Road, Oredo LGA, Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria
196	EDO	Benin V - Ikpoba Hill	62, Agbor Road, Ikpoba Hills, Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria
197	OYO	Bodija - Ibadan	Plot 6A, U.I-Secretariat Road, Bodija, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria
198	OYO	Bodija 2 - Ibadan	30, Awolowo Road Old Bodija Ibadan
199	OYO	Challenge - Ibadan	Plot 14, JFK Osibodu Layout, Ijebu Road, Challenge, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria
200	OYO	Dugbe, Ibadan	11B, Jimoh Odutola Road, Dugbe, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria
201	EKITI	Ekiti	Faculty of Education, Ekiti State University, Ado Ekiti
202	EDO	Ekpoma	No 2 Ihumudumu Road, Ekpoma Edo State.
203	ONDO	FUTA Akure	Federal University of Technology, Akure, Ondo State, Nigeria

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204	OGUN	Ijebu - Ode	183, Folagbade Street, Ijebu Ode L.G.A., Ijebu Ode, Ogun State, Nigeria
205	OSUN	Ile-Ife	3, Lagere Road, Ile-Ife, Osun State, Nigeria
206	OSUN	Ilesa	196, Isokun Street, Along Ilesha-Osogbo Road, Ilesa, Osun State, Nigeria
207	KWARA	Ilorin	1, Wahab Folawiyo Road, Ilorin, Kwara State, Nigeria
208	KWARA	Ilorin GRA	10, Umar Audi Road, GRA, Ilorin, Kwara State, Nigeria
209	KWARA	Kwara Poly	Kwara Polytechnic Main Campus, Old Jebba Road, Ilorin, Kwara
210	OYO	Lautech	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology LAUTECH
211	OYO	Mokola Ibadan	27, Majaro Street, Old Oyo Road, Cocacola Area, Mokola, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria
212	OSUN	OAU Ile-Ife	Road 1, Obafemi Awolowo University Campus, Ile-Ife, Osun State, Nigeria
213	KWARA	Offa	No 53, Olofa Way, Offa, Kwara State, Nigeria
214	OYO	Ogbomoso	Ibapon Area, Ilorin-Ogbomoso Express Road, Ogbomoso, Oyo State, Nigeria
215	ONDO	Ondo	48, Yaba, Ondo Town, Ondo State Nigeria
216	OGUN	OOU Ago-Iwoye	P.S. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago Iwoye, Ogun State, Nigeria
217	OSUN	Oshogbo	No 67, Gbongan / Ibadan Road, Ogo Oluwa, Osogbo, Osun State, Nigeria
218	OSUN	Oshogbo 2	68, Ikirun Road opposite Oshogbo Stadium, Oshogbo, Osun State
219	OYO	Oyo	Ibadan – Ogbomoso Express Road, Owode, Oyo Town, Oyo State, Nigeria
220	OGUN	RCCG Redemption Camp	Redeem Christain Church Camp Ground, KM 46 Lagos Ibadan Expressway, No 1 Salvation Way
221	OYO	Ring Road Ibadan	106, Ring Road, Lister Bus Stop, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria
222	OGUN	Sagamu	143, Akarigbo Street, Sabo, Sagamu, Ogun State, Nigeria
223	OGUN	Sango Otta	63, Abeokuta Expressway, Joju Junction, Sango Otta, Ogun State, Nigeria
224	KWARA	Taiwo Road, Ilorin	147 Upper Taiwo Rd Ilorin Kwara State
225	OGUN	Unaab	University of Agriculture, off Alabata Road, Alabata, Abeokuta, Ogun State, Nigeria
226	EDO	Uniben	University of Benin, Benin City
227	KWARA	Unilorin	University of Ilorin, Campus, Kwara State, Nigeria
228	OGUN	Sango Otta 2	54 Abeokuta Expressway, Sango Otta, Ogun State

eBRANCHES

S/N	STATE	LOCATION	ADDRESS
1	ABUJA	Eagle Square eBranch	Eagle Square Car Park, Opposite Federal Secretariat Complex, Cbd, Abuja
2	LAGOS	1004 Estate eBranch	Block A, Administrative Building, 1st Gate Entrance, 1004 Estate, Victoria Island
3	LAGOS	Ikota eBranch	KM 21, Lekki Epe Expressway, Ikota Shopping Complex, Vgc Ajah (Road 5)
4	LAGOS	Sura eBranch	22A Lewis Street opposite Police Baracks Sandgrouse Sura Lagos State
5	LAGOS	Adeniran Ogunsanya eBranch	No 31 Adeniran Ogunsanya Street, Surulere, Lagos, Nigeria
6	LAGOS	Costain eBranch	Costain Roundabout Lagos
7	LAGOS	Diya Gbagada eBranch	No 59, Diya Gbagada Street, Ifako, Gbagada, Lagos, Nigeria.
8	LAGOS	Egbeda eBranch	26/28 Egbeda Akowonjo Road, Egbeda, Lagos
9	LAGOS	Ikeja Cantonment eBranch	Headquarters 9 Brigade, Nigerian Army Cantonment, Ikeja Lagos
10	LAGOS	Ilupeju eBranch	No 3 Ilupeju Bye Pass, Ilupeju, Lagos Nigeria.
11	LAGOS	Ogudu eBranch	126 Ogudu Road, Ojota, Lagos

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12	LAGOS	Shogunle eBranch	360, Agege Motor Road,Pwd,Shogunle Oshodi, Lagos
13	LAGOS	Toyin Street eBranch	47,Toyin Street, Ikeja Lagos
14	RIVERS	Shell RA Port Harcourt eBranch	Shell Residential Area Port Harcourt
15	RIVERS	Genesis Port Harcourt eBranch	Plot 45 Genesis E-branch Trans Amadi
16	OYO	Ring Road eBranch	1 Akinyemi street, off Ring road, Ibadan, Oyo state.

CASH CENTRES

S/N	STATE	LOCATION	ADDRESS
1	LAGOS	MMA 2	New Local Wing, Murtala Mohammed Airport 2, Ikeja, Lagos State, Nigeria
2	OGUN	Sango Idiroko	Idilroko Road, opposite Fowobi filling station, Oju Ore, Sango Otta
3	BENUE	BCC GBOKO	Benue Central Company, Gboko, Benue State, Nigeria
4	BENUE	NAF BASE	Nigerian Air force Base, Makurdi, Benue State
5	KANO	AKTH, Kano	Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital, Zaria Road, Kano State, Nigeria
6	KADUNA	KRPC, Kaduna	Kaduna Refinery Complex, Kaduna, Kaduna State, Nigeria
7	ENUGU	UNTH, Ituku Ozalla	University Road, University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital, Enugu State, Nigeria
8	RIVERS	NLNG	GTB Cash Centre Shopping Complex NLNG Residential Area
9	RIVERS	ONNE	Dangote Depot Intel Onne
10	CROSS RIVER	Obudu	Obudu Cattle Ranch, Obudu, Cross River State, Nigeria
11	OSUN	JABU	Joseph Abu Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State, Nigeria
12	ONDO	Akure Cash Center	No 16, Oba Ile,Owo Road, Akure, Ondo State Nigeria.
13	EDO	Gaius Obaseki, GRA Benin	Didio Plaza, 66 Gaius Obaseki Shopping Complex, Oko Central, GRA Benin, Edo State, Nigeria
14	OGUN	Ewekoro	Lagos - Abeokuta Expressway, opposite Larfage Cement, Ogun State, Nigeria

AGENT BANKING

S/N	STATE	LOCATION	ADDRESS
1	ABUJA	Forte Oil, New Nyanya	Karu Abuja Way, New Nyanya, Abuja
2	ABUJA	Forte Oil, Jikwoyi 1, Abuja	Jikwoyi - Karshi Way, Abuja
3	ABUJA	Forte Oil, Jikwoyi By Living Faith	Beside Living Faith Church, Jikwoyi - Karu, Abuja
4	LAGOS	Forte Oil Campus Road	1, Igboere Road, Campos Lagos Island
5	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Awolowo Road	111 – 113 Awolowo Road, Ikoyi
6	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Bank Road	1, Bank Road Opposite Federal Secretariat Alagbon Ikoyi Lagos
7	LAGOS	Hubmart Supermarket	Plot 1263, Adeola Odeku Street, Victoria Island Lagos
8	LAGOS	Tantalizer - Admiralty Lekki	Admiralty Road Lekki, Lagos
9	LAGOS	Total, Sura - Lagos Island	Simpson Street beside Sura shopping complex, Lagos Island
10	LAGOS	Total, Lakowe, Ajah	lakowe Road, Ajah, Lekki
11	LAGOS	De Prince Supermarket	3A Adejokun Street, Isheri-Magodo
12	LAGOS	Forte Oil Idimu 2	215/217 Idimu Ikotun Road, Egbeda
13	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Ajiwe-Ajah	Opposite Abraham Adesanya Estate, Ajah
14	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Bariga	6/ 8 Fetuga Street, Bariga
15	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Egbe	71, Egbe Road, Powerline Bustop, Ejigbo road Egbe
16	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Festac Town	21, Road, Festac Town, Lagos

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17	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Idimu	222 Egbeda-Idimu road, Carwash Bus-stop, Idimu
18	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Ikorodu Round About	2, Sagamu Road, Ikorodu
19	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Jebba	80, Herbert Macaulay Road, Jebba Ebute - Metta, Lagos
20	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Kingsway Road Apapa	Kingsway Avenue Apapa, Lagos
21	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Ladipo-Mushin	110, Ladipo Street , Matori Industrial Estate Mushin
22	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Mushin	259, Agege Motor Road, Mushin, Lagos
23	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Oba-Akran	39, Oba Akran Avenue Ikeja Lagos
24	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Ogba	Oba Ogunji Road, Pen Cinema, Ogba Lagos
25	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Okota	51 Okota Road Opposite Police Barracks, Okota
26	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Old Airport Road	Muritala Mohammed 2, Local Airport Road, Ikeja
27	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Old Apapa Road, Costain	80, Old Apapa Road Ebute Metta West , Costain Lagos
28	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Oshodi Apapa (Mile 2)	Berger Yard B/stop Oshodi-Apapa Expressway, Mile 2, Lagos
29	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Shomolu	138, Ikorodu Road Onipanu Bus Stop, Shomolu Lagos
30	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Western Avenue	113/115, Funsho Williams Avenue, Surulere
31	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Wharf Road Apapa	Barracks Bus Stop, Wharf Road, Apapa, Lagos
32	LAGOS	Total, MM Way, Yaba	150/152 Mm Way, Ebute Metta
33	LAGOS	Total, Itire	23/25 Itire Rd, Lawanson
34	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Iwaya	Iwaya Road, Makoko-Yaba, Lagos
35	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Alimosho	Egbeda-Ipaja Road, Ponle bustop, Alimosho
36	LAGOS	Hubmart, Ikeja	Isaac Jone Street Ikeja GRA
37	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Mile 12	Mile 12 Bus-stop Lagos
38	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Cement Ipaja	Cement Bus-stop Ipaja-Lagos
39	LAGOS	Forte Oil, Ipaja Lagos	Ipaja Road, Ayobo Lagos
40	LAGOS	Total Ojota Lagos	Ikorodu Road Ojota Bus-stop Lagos
41	LAGOS	Total Tincan Apapa	Apapa Oshodi Expressway Berger Cement- By GTB Ibafof Branch
42	LAGOS	Total Sabo Oguns	Sabo Oguns Ikorodu Lagos
43	OGUN	Forte Oil, Ijebu Tokin	Ijebu Iokin/Parafa Road, Ikorodu, Lagos
44	NORTH EAST	Forte Oil, Club Road, Kano	Club road Kano
45	NORTH EAST	Total, Hotoro Road, Kano	Hotoro road Kano
46	NORTH EAST	Forte Oil, Zaria Road, Kano	Zaria Road Kano
47	RIVERS	Forte Oil ,Aggrey Rd S/S II	Aggrey Road 2, Port Harcourt
48	RIVERS	Forte Oil ,Lorry Park S/S	29, Station Road, Lagos Bus Stop, Port Harcourt
49	RIVERS	Forte Oil ,Mile 5 S/S	By Rumuokwuta Round About, Port Harcourt
50	RIVERS	Forte Oil ,Moscow Road F/S	11, Moscow Road Opp. Rivers St House Of Assembly
51	RIVERS	Forte Oil, Rumubekwe S/S	PH/Aba Expressway By Shell Gate, Port Harcourt
52	RIVERS	Forte Oil, Rumuobikhani S/S	Aba Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers State
53	RIVERS	Total Transamadi, Port Harcourt	
54	AKWA IBOM	Forte Oil, Uyo	154 Ikot Ekpene Road Uyo
55	OGUN	Forte Oil, Ilo Awela - Sango Otta	11, Ilo Awela road, Sango Otta, Ogun State
56	OGUN	Forte Oil, Iyana Iyesi- Sango Otta	Iyana Iyesi road, Sango Otta
57	OGUN	Total, Ogijo - Ikorodu	KM12 Sagamu road, Ikorodu Ogijo, Ogun State
58	OYO	Total Ojoo Ibadan	Oyo Road, Ojoo, Ibadan
59	OYO	Total Eleyele Road, Ibadan	Jericho Road, Ibadan along Eleyele Sango Road, Ibadan

BRANCH NETWORK

CLOSED LOCATIONS

S/N	STATE		STATUS
1	ABUJA	ULO PLAZA	Branch
2		AZARE	Branch
3		MAIDUGURI II	Branch
4		MUBI	Branch
5		WUKARI	Branch
6		OKIGWE	Branch
7		ORLU	Branch
8	ABUJA (F C T)	KAURA NAMODA, GARKI AREA 3	Branch
9	LAGOS	APAPA1 - COMMERCIAL ROAD	Branch
10	LAGOS	OREGUN	Branch



FORMS

PROXY FORM

GUARANTY TRUST BANK PLC RC 152321

PROXY FORM

30th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING to be held at the Oriental Hotel, 3, Lekki Road, Victoria Island, Lagos State on Monday, March 30, 2020, at 10 a.m.

I/We _____ being a member/members of Guaranty Trust Bank plc hereby appoint

_____ * or failing him/her/it, Mrs. Osaretin Demuren or failing her, Mr. Segun Agbaje, as my/our proxy to attend and vote for me/us and on my/our behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the Bank to be held on Monday, March 30, 2020, and at any adjournment thereof.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2020.

Signature of Shareholder

Name of Shareholder

Signature of the person attending (if applicable)

NUMBER OF SHARES:		
RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST
Ordinary Business:		
To receive the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2019, and the Reports of the Directors, Auditors and Statutory Audit Committee thereon.		
To declare a dividend ¹		
To authorise Directors to fix the remuneration of the Auditors ²		
To elect Members of the Statutory Audit Committee		
Please mark the appropriate box with an "X" to indicate how you wish your votes to be cast on the resolutions set above. Unless otherwise instructed, the proxy will vote or abstain from voting at his/her/its discretion.		

ADMISSION CARD

Thirtieth Annual General Meeting to be held on Monday, March 30, 2020, at Oriental Hotel, 3, Lekki Road, Victoria Island, Lagos State at 10 a.m.

Name of Shareholder (in BLOCK CAPITALS)

(Surname)

(First name)

Shareholder's Account No:

Number of Shares:

IMPORTANT

- Before posting the above Proxy Form, please tear off this part and retain it. A person attending the Annual General Meeting of the Company or his/her/its proxy should produce this card to secure admission to the meeting.
- A member of the Company is entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting of the Company. He/She/It is also entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of him/her/it, and in this case, the above card is required for the appointment of a proxy.
- In line with the current practice, the names of two Directors of the Company have been entered on the Proxy Form to ensure that someone will be at the meeting to act as proxy. You may however wish to insert in the blank space on the form (marked "**") the name of any person, whether a member of the Company or not, who will attend the meeting and vote on your behalf instead of one of the named Directors.
- The above Proxy Form, when completed, must be deposited at the office of the Registrars, Datamax Registrars Limited, No. 2C, Gbagada Express Road, Gbagada Phase 1, Lagos State, not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting.
- It is a requirement of the law under the Stamp Duties Act, Cap. A8, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004, that any instrument of proxy to be used for the purpose of voting by any person entitled to vote at any meeting of shareholders must be duly stamped in accordance with the provisions of the Stamp Duties Act.
- If the Proxy Form is executed on behalf of a Company, it should be sealed under its Common Seal or under the hand and seal of its attorney.

1 ₦2.50K for every 50 Kobo Ordinary Share;
2 PricewaterhouseCoopers are the Auditors of the Bank.



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SHAREHOLDER'S DATA UPDATE FORM

Shareholder Account Number:

CSCS CHN Number:

Date (DD/MM/YYYY)

Name of Company in which Shares are held

GTBank GTBank (GDR) Mansard Ins. GTHomes

DETAILS OF INVESTORS/SIGNATORY

*Surname/Company's Name:

*Other Names (Individual Shareholders) :

* E-mail Address :

* Mobile (GSM) Phone Numbers :

* Present Postal Address :

* City :

* State :

*Signature

Company Seal/Incorporation Number (corporate Shareholder)

Note: Asterixed boxes must be completed by Shareholders



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