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COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Inception & Objectives

The Ostomy Association of Singapore was officially registered on 27th January 2014.

The aims of our non-profit organisation are:

1. to speed up the rehabilitation of patients who have undergone colorectal surgery or urinary tract diversion surgery by offering reassurances, emotional support, appropriate advice and practical information to patients and their caregivers both before and after surgery,

2. to promote better understanding and foster friendship and bonding among the ostomates and colorectal cancer survivors through mentoring and shared experiences'

3. to provide information and encouragement concerning all aspects of stoma care and

4. to educate and increase public awareness about colorectal cancer

Present Committee

The office-bearers and committee members of the Association are as follows:

President	: Ellil Mathiyan
Vice-President	: -
Secretary	: Gloria Goh
Treasurer	: Celeste Se
IT Committee Member	: Wong Yuk Ling

Membership

The details of the current membership are as follows:

Ordinary Members Fellow Members	721 10
Associate Members	8
Honorary Members	3
Total Membership	**742**

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Ongoing Programmes

Collection & Redistribution of donated stoma supplies

The OAS has started a collection service for those who wish to donate surplus stoma supplies. These supplies were then re-distributed to OAS members.

We have since carried out three quarterly distribution exercises, with a total of 2,156 items distributed to members across the island.

Patients' On-Line Support Hub (P.O.S.H)

The Ostomy Association of Singapore (OAS) provides support for those living with ostomies, or who may have had, or will end up having ostomies for colorectal or urological conditions. We offer reassurance, emotional support, appropriate advice and practical information not only to survivors and patients, but also to their caregivers, both before and after surgery.

During this pandemic, we came up with an online platform to continue to provide this essential support for those who need it.

We have continued to maintain this platform to provide another avenue of support for newly diagnosed patients and their families, as well as current members an anyone who needs support or information, via this zoom link: http://bit.ly/POSHcsr

Significant Events

1. Eighth (8th) Annual General Meeting

The Eighth OAS AGM was held on 23rd April 2022. It was held via Zoom due to the Covid-19 restrictions. During the AGM, along with the adoption of resolutions, the following office bearers were elected unanimously by the members present:

President: Ellil Mathiyan Lakshmanan
Vice President: Joan Heng
Treasurer: Celeste Se
Secretary: Gloria Goh
Committee Member (Administration) : Lim Bee Suat
Committee Member (IT) : Wong Yuk Ling

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2. OAS Patient and HCP Education Series

A series of webinars were held in collaboration with our Industry Partners, Coloplast and Convatec, as well as the Singapore Cancer Society, under the Patient and Healthcare Professional Educations series. These were well received by the members, as evidence by the attendance numbers as well as active participation on the Q&A and Panel Discussion segments.

28th May 2022 - Convatec Healthy Conversations Series
25th June 2022 - Convatec Urology Webinar
20th August 2022 - Convatec Ultimate Guide to Ostomy Webinar
10th September 2022 - Coloplast Care Event
15th October 2022 - Convatec Ultimate Guide to Ostomy HCP Education Series 3
12th January 2023 - Convatec Advanced Disease-based Webinar Series Urostomy Case Complication
25th February 2023 - Coloplast Caregiver Event
17th May 2023 - Convatec Advanced Disease Based Education Series





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3. Convatec ME PLUS TRAINING – 24th August 2022

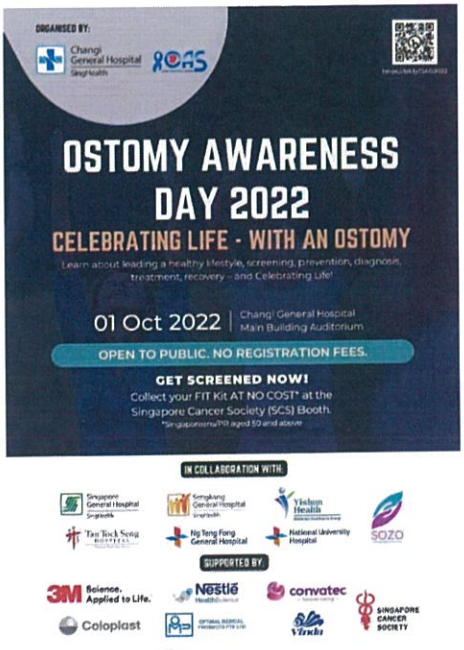
A joint collaboration by Ostomy Association of Singapore, Singapore Cancer Society and Convatec Ostomy Care , it is an exercise programme for patients to, as quickly as possible, integrate back to society and return to their roles, work and lifestyle before surgery.

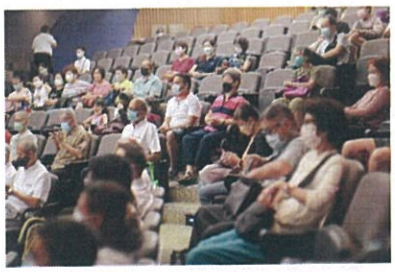


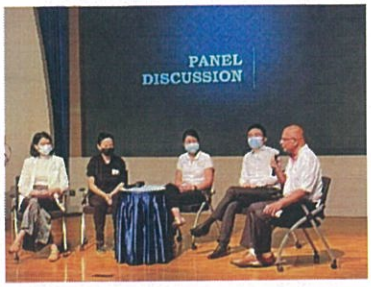


4. Ostomy Awareness Day Seminar – 1st October 2022

For the first time, this was held as a public forum. Ostomy Awareness Day 2022 was jointly organised by Changi General Hospital (CGH) and Ostomy Association of Singapore The theme was about leading a healthy lifestyle, prevention, and screening for colorectal cancer. As usual, there sharing from doctors, a Patient and Caregiver, and a panel discussion with Dietitian, Physiotherapist, Nurse and Patient. There were also exciting performances to spice up the event!











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5. OAS is now a Charity

The OAS had applied for charity status, to support funds its support activities, outreach programmes and financial assistance efforts for needy patients. We were granted charity status on 12 November 2022 by the Commissioner of Charities, through the Sector Administrator, which is the Ministry of Health. The real work begins now, as our volunteer team will redouble our efforts to reach out to our members and other ostomates in our community to improve the quality of life for all.

6. Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – 2nd December 2022

As a not-for-profit organisation with limited resources, volunteers play a huge role in making our mission possible. Our volunteers truly helped our mission of helping our members Feel Good and Live Better, promoting improved quality of life for everyone in our community.







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7. Pitch for Pinnacle – 9th December 2022

The Pitch for Pinnacle Competition was held by Rare Cancers Australia to help patient organisations which an innovative initiative that could make a real difference to patients. OAS pitch was selected as the top five and we were awarded the Runner-Up prize of US$10,000 for our project – Ostomate-Friendly Toilets. We achieved invaluable public awareness of OAS and its goals among international stakeholders, including industry, clinicians and other patient organisations and ongoing support from Rare Cancers Australia and other experts to help implement our project.

You may view our pitch here: https://youtu.be/xTbSYBzelV4

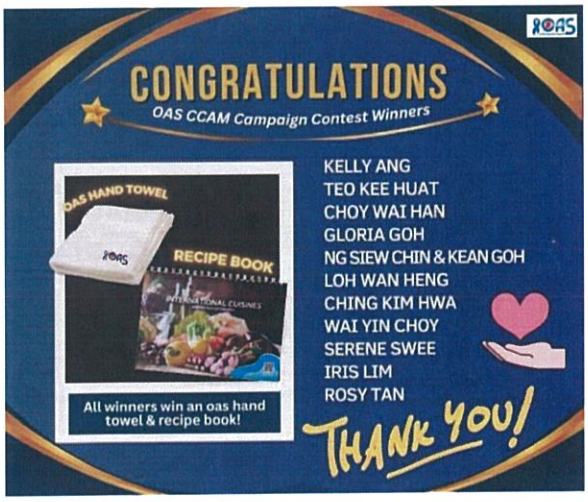




8. Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month (CCAM) Fundraising Campaign – March 2023

Our first fundraising campaign was held in conjunction with Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in March 2023. It was an online campaign on social media – Wear Blue Saturday - where followers of our social media platform were asked to wear blue to raise awareness of colorectal cancer, and the best dressed entries were awarded prizes. We raised a total of $2,131.





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9. Khoo Teck Puat Hospital SurgiSupport Group Launch – 14th April 2023

We were invited to join Khoo Teck Puat Hospital's SurgiSupport Group, to provide community based support for patients in the surrounding zones. Ostomy Association of Singapore is honoured to partner KTPH in this community care initiative.



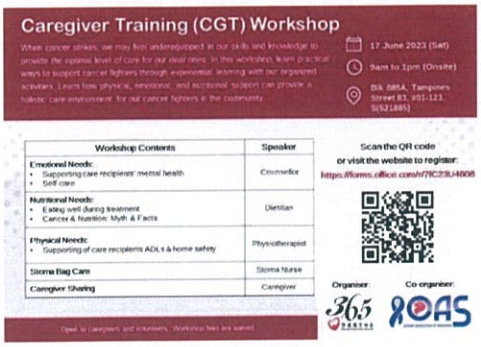


10. Upcoming Events

Caregiver Training with 365 Cancer Prevention Society – 17th June 2023

Providing help to those who matter most, where it matters most, and when it matters most - directly to the community where patients and caregivers face real-life challenges. The aim of the workshop is to learn how to cope with the whole spectrum of problems faced by caregivers. Jointly organised by 365 Cancer Prevention Society and the Ostomy Association of Singapore.





Ostomy Day 2022 - @TTSH – 7th October 2023

The Ostomy Day 2023 event will be co-organised by OAS and Tan Tock Seng Hospital, in collaboration with all the re-structured hospitals in Singapore and a few service provider. The focus for this year's event will be mental health.

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4th Congress of the Asia South-Pacific Ostomy Association – 19th to 22nd October 2023 @Suntec City Convention Centre.

The OAS will be partnering with the Asia Pacific Federation of Coloproctology (APFCP), The Asian Society of Stoma Rehabilitation (ASSR) Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurses (WOCN) Singapore Chapter to organise this regional three-party (doctors, nurses, patients) conference. There will be a full day program for ASPOA, which will be relevant to patients, caregivers and healthcare professionals. The registration portal will be open soon.



8. Volunteer Structure

We had embarked on a Volunteer Recruitment exercise, to bolster our capacity and capability in various areas. The recruitment through the Giving.sg portal was very effective, and our latest volunteer set-up is as follows:

Accounts	-	Thiery Wong Po Foo, Lee Li Xuan Priscilla, Tay Jun Wen
Dean		
Marketing, Campaigns &	-	Chan Shu Ling
Social Media	-	
Website	-	Rebecca Ng, Ge Yunjie, Albert Lee
Graphic Design	-	Catherine Ng, Natasha Ang, Nanami Low
Logistics	-	Francis Goh, Gloria Goh, Hoe Sheng Tong
Tech Support	-	Laboni Borkar, Kush Borkar
Patient Ambassador	-	Doris Lai, Loh Wan Heng, Teo Kee Huat, Joyce Tan, Jasbinder Kaur, Debbie Koh
Caregiver Ambassador	-	Bharati Borkar

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Looking Forward

We will continue to work on the prioritised list activities in the Service Design Study for delivery of programmes and services to our members, namely: Structured Activities To Foster Friendship & Bonding Among Ostomates, Providing More Personalised Support For Ostomates and Providing More Information To Ostomates In A Structured Manner.

In addition, we will be expanding our Ostomy-Friendly Toilet to other hospitals, before reaching out to the commercial buildings, as well as to the authorities like BCA to mandate the required features in all handicapped toilets in all buildings. This will of course require that ostomates be given access to handicapped toilets, another issue that needs to be taken up with the powers that be.

Closely linked with the above is seeking the recognition of the Ostomate Symbol:



It is important that this symbol be officially recognized, as having an ostomy is an invisible condition and ostomates need to have some form of identification when seeking access to handicapped toilets.

We will also continue to work with our Industry Partners, to not only provide patients with the widest possible range of ostomy appliances for safety and comfort, but also provide educational and other resources for them to make informed decisions.

Conclusion

We have now connected with the healthcare authorities, as OAS is now a Panel Member of the Consumer Engagement and Education (CEE) arm of the Agency for Care Effectiveness under the Ministry of Health. We will proceed to make more headway in this respect, especially to the relevant department responsible for healthcare policies which will directly impact those living the condition.

The End Point Report of the Service Design Research Study Project has been delivered by our consultants. Our application for charity status has also been approved, effective 12 November 2022. Now, we really have our work cut out for us, and must work hard to meet the challenges of keeping the volunteer motivated, and getting the resources, financial or otherwise, to help ostomates in our community Feel Good and Live Better.

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STATEMENT BY THE COUNCIL OF THE SOCIETY

In the opinion of the Board of Governors,

(a) the accompanying financial statements are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Society as at 30 June 2021 and the financial performance, changes in funds and cash flows of the Society for the year ended on that date in accordance with the provisions of the Societies Act, Chapter 311, the Charities Act, Chapter 37 and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards; and

(b) at the date of this statement, the ability of the Society to pay its debts as and when they fall due depends on the ability of the Society to raise funds from other sources.

(c) the total fund-raising expenses for the financial year does not exceed 30% of the total gross receipts from fund-raising.

Ellil Mathiyan S/O Lakshmanan
President

Vice-President

Goh Moy Nan
Secretary

Se Bee Hong
Treasurer

Dated: 30/05/2023

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HONORARY AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE OSTOMY ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Ostomy Association of Singapore ("the Association") which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, statement of financial activities, statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows for the reporting year then ended, and a summary of the significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The Association's Committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards, the Societies Act, Chapter 311 and the Charities Act, Chapter 37 and for such internal controls the Association's Committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Association's Committee as well as the overall financial statement principle. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to present fairly, in all material respects, the state of affairs of the Association as at 31 December 2022 and the results, changes in funds and cash flows of the Association for the reporting year ended on that date.

Ms. Lim Chwee Lian, Nancy
Honorary Auditor

Mr. Goh Guat Beng
Honorary Auditor

Dated:

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS OF OSTOMY ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE

I report on the accounts of Ostomy Association of Singapore for the financial year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 15 to 21.

Respective responsibilities of Governing Board Members and Independent Examiner

The Governing Board Members consider that an audit is not required for this financial year [under Charities (Accounts and Audit) Regulations 2011] and that an independent examination is required.

As the Independent Examiner, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts;
- Follow the procedures laid down I the General Guidance issued by the Commissioner of Charities; and
- State whether any specific matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Guidance issued by the Commissioner of Charities. An independent examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Governing Board Members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the Governing Board Members have not met the requirements to ensure that:

- Proper accounting records are kept; and
- Accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS OF OSTOMY ASSOCIATION OF SINGAPORE (CONTINUED)

Independent Examiner's statement (continued)

(2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Tan Cheng Shun
Relevant professional qualification or body:
Public Accountant and Chartered Accountant of Singapore
Address: 33 Ubi Avenue 3, #05-61 Vertex, Singapore 534049

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022 S$	2021 S$
ASSETS		
Trade receivable	600.00	-
Prepayment	965.00	200.00
Cash on hand	30.60	30.60
Cash at bank	57,432.92	39,348.73
TOTAL ASSETS	**59,028.52**	**39,579.33**
FUND AND LIABILITIES		
FUND		
Accumulated general fund	35,033.24	30,140.86
	35,033.24	30,140.86
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	25.35	30.35
Advance billing	9,000.00	9,000.00
Accrued expenses	14,753.35	248.12
Income tax payable	216.58	160.00
TOTAL LLIABILITIES	23,995.28	9,438.57
TOTAL FUND AND LIABILITIES	**59,028.52**	**39,579.33**

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022 S$	2021 S$
INCOME		
Donation	200.00	-
Financial aid to members	-	3,000.00
Market research	-	4,000.00
Ostomy awareness day	6,400.00	1,250.00
Vendors' listing fee	6,000.00	4,680.00
Others	2,400.00	-
	15,000.00	12,930.00
EXPENDITURE		
Bank charges	82.82	132.52
Consultant	2,000.00	3,000.00
Consumable	-	50.00
Donatation/Purchase Supplies And Assets	-	2,425.04
Functions & events	744.01	171.61
Office automation expense	316.16	-
Printing & stationery	620.85	330.00
Project Cost	2,156.78	665.60
Professional fee	1,300.00	-
Subscription To ASPOA	271.48	267.62
Web Design & Email Hosting& Telecommunication	2,409.68	1,609.32
	9,901.78	8,651.71
Surplus before tax	4,268.29	4,268.29
Income tax expenses	(205.84)	160.00
Surplus for the year	4,892.38	4,118.29
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	**4,892.38**	**4,118.29**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022 S$	2021 S$
Balance at the beginning of the year	30,140.86	26,022.57
Total comprehensive income for the year	4,892.38	4,118.29
Balance at the end of the year	**35,033.24**	**30,140.86**

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022 S$	2021 S$
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Surplus before tax	5,098.22	4,278.29
Adjustments:	-	-
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital	5,098.22	4,278.29
Changes in working capital:		
Trade receivables & prepayment	(1,365.00)	1,530.00
Trade& other payables	14,500.23	(829.11)
Cash generated from operations	18,233.45	4,979.18
Income tax paid	(149.26)	-
Net cash generated from operating activities	18,084.19	4,979.18
Net movement in cash and cash equivalents	18,084.19	4,979.18
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	39,379.33	34,400.15
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	**57,463.52**	**39,379.33**

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the Association's financial statements.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Ostomy Association of Singapore (the "Association") is registered under the Societies Act, Chapter 311 on 27 January 2014. The Association is also registered as a charity under the Charities Act, Chapter 37 on 12 November 2022. The registered office address is located at 48 Toh Guan Road East, #02-135, Singapore 608586.

The principal activities of the Association are to promote the rehabilitation of persons who may have had at any time or will have colorectal surgery or urinary tract diversion surgery. There has been no significant change in the nature of this activity during the financial year.

The financial statements of the Association for the year ended 31 December 2022 were authorized for issue by the Committee of the Association on 30th May 2023.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a. Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (FRS) and the provision of the Societies Act, Chapter 311, and the Singapore Charities Act, Chapter 37.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollars which is the also the Associations functional currency.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of polices and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making judgements about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

a. Basis of preparation (continued)

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period of which the estimate is revised, if the revision only affects that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods, if the revision affects both current and future periods.

There are no areas involving higher degree of judgement of complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements.

The Association has not applied any new or revised FRS or Interpretations of FRS (INT FRS) that have been issued as of the balance sheet date but are not yet effective. The initial applicable of these standards and interpretations are not expected to have any material impact on the Association's financial statements. The association has not considered the impact of any FRS or INT FRS issued after the balance sheet date.

b. Financial assets

(i) Classification

Financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets "at fair value through profit or loss", "loans and receivables", "held to maturity investments" and "available-for-sale" financial assets. The classification depends on the nature of the asset and the purpose for which the assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are presented as current assets, except for those maturing later than 12 months after the end of reporting period which are presented as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are presented as "cash in hand" and "cash at bank" on the statement of financial position.

(ii) Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial instrument and of allocating interest income or expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts or payments through the expected life of the financial instrument, or where appropriate, a shorter period.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

b. Financial assets (continued)

(iii) Recognition and derecognition

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade date – the date on which the Association commits to purchase or sell the asset.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Association has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. On disposal of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount and the sale proceeds is recognised in the profit or loss. Any amount in other comprehensive income relating to that asset is transferred to profit or loss.

(iv) Initial measurement

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs.

(v) Subsequent measurement

Loans and receivables are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method less allowance for impairment.

(vi) Impairment

The Association assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and recognises an allowance for impairment when such evidence exists.

c. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and bank balances which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

d. Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value, and subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

The Association derecognised financial liability, when and only when, the Association's obligations are discharged, cancelled and expired.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e. Revenue recognition

Subscriptions are recognised on a receipt basis.

f. Taxation

The income tax treatment of the Association is under S11 (1) of the Income Tax Act. Where more than 50% of the gross revenue receipts on revenue accounts are from members, the Association is not deemed to be carrying on a business but where less than half of such gross receipts are received from members, the whole of the income from transactions both with members and others shall be deemed to be receipts from a business, and the Association shall be chargeable in respect of the profits therefrom.

Where the Association is not deemed to be carrying on a business, it will be liable to tax on income from other sources derived from dealing with non-members. The income shall be subjected to tax at the prevailing corporate tax rate at 17%.