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INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

HIGHLIGHTS

- The overall revenue of the Group from continuing operations for the six months ended 30 June 2019 was RMB186.1 million.
- For the six months ended 30 June 2019, the Group recorded gross profit amounting to RMB133.9 million (2018: RMB241.1 million) and gross profit margin was 72.0% (2018: 77.3%).
- For the six months ended 30 June 2019, the Group's profit was RMB3.7 million.
- Basic earnings per share was RMB0.28 cents for the six months ended 30 June 2019, as compared to basic earnings per share of RMB5.28 cents for the corresponding period in 2018.

INTERIM RESULTS

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Directors**”) of China NT Pharma Group Company Limited (the “**Company**” or “**NT Pharma**”) is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the “**Group**”) for the six months ended 30 June 2019 (the “**Period Under Review**”), together with the comparative figures for the six months ended 30 June 2018 as follows:

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 June 2019

		Six months ended 30 June	
		2019	2018
	<i>Notes</i>	RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Continuing operations			
Revenue		186,055	311,985
Cost of sales		<u>(52,180)</u>	<u>(70,844)</u>
Gross profit		133,875	241,141
Other (loss)/revenue	4	(2,613)	545
Other net loss	5	(2,552)	(1,751)
Selling and distribution expenses		(54,067)	(50,043)
Administrative expenses		(40,916)	(51,693)
Fair value change on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		11	4,320
Share of gain/(loss) of an associate		3	(1)
Equity-settled share option expenses		<u>–</u>	<u>(34)</u>
Profit from operations		33,741	142,484
Finance costs		<u>(29,991)</u>	<u>(26,290)</u>
Profit before taxation	6	3,750	116,194
Income tax expense	7	<u>(50)</u>	<u>(10,297)</u>
Profit for the period from continuing operations		<u>3,700</u>	<u>105,897</u>

	<i>Notes</i>	Six months ended 30 June	
		2019	2018
		RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Discontinued operation			
Loss for the period from discontinued operation		<u>–</u>	<u>(21,568)</u>
Profit for the period		<u>3,700</u>	<u>84,329</u>
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		4,751	82,940
Non-controlling interests		<u>(1,051)</u>	<u>1,389</u>
Profit for the period		<u>3,700</u>	<u>84,329</u>
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company arises from:			
Continuing operations		4,751	104,508
Discontinued operation		<u>–</u>	<u>(21,568)</u>
		<u>4,751</u>	<u>82,940</u>
Earnings per Share	8		
From continuing and discontinued operations			
Basic		<u>0.28 cent</u>	<u>5.28 cents</u>
Diluted		<u>0.28 cent</u>	<u>4.48 cents</u>
Earnings per Share			
From continuing operations			
Basic		<u>0.28 cent</u>	<u>6.65 cents</u>
Diluted		<u>0.28 cent</u>	<u>5.64 cents</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the six months ended 30 June 2019

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Profit for the period	3,700	84,329
Other comprehensive income for the period		
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of entities outside the PRC	<u>22,913</u>	<u>(1,442)</u>
Total comprehensive income for the period	<u>26,613</u>	<u>82,887</u>
Attributable to:		
Equity holders of the Company	27,664	81,498
Non-controlling interests	<u>(1,051)</u>	<u>1,389</u>
Total comprehensive income for the period	<u>26,613</u>	<u>82,887</u>
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to owners of the Company arise from:		
Continuing operations	27,664	103,066
Discontinued operation	<u>–</u>	<u>(21,568)</u>
	<u>27,664</u>	<u>81,498</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2019

		30 June 2019	31 December 2018
	<i>Note</i>	RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Non-current assets			
Fixed assets			
– Property, plant and equipment		278,477	290,240
– Interests in leasehold land held for own use under operating leases		40,538	40,994
– Right-of-use assets		6,188	–
		325,203	331,234
Intangible assets		1,280,328	1,271,169
Interest in an associate, net		16,920	16,918
Prepayment for acquisition of intangible asset		17,191	17,191
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		4,007	–
Available-for-sale financial asset		561	559
		1,644,210	1,637,071
Current assets			
Inventories		52,650	44,962
Trade and other receivables	9	539,554	419,336
Pledged bank deposits		30,010	38,000
Cash at banks and in hand		76,605	87,793
		698,819	590,091

		30 June 2019	31 December 2018
	<i>Note</i>	RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Current liabilities			
Contract liabilities		13,202	12,871
Trade and other payables	10	231,484	298,533
Bank and other borrowings	11	908,585	1,007,000
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		401,082	10,024
Current taxation		11,800	12,557
Lease liabilities		1,891	—
		1,568,044	1,340,985
Net current liabilities		(869,225)	(750,894)
Total assets		2,343,029	2,227,162
Total assets less current liabilities		774,985	886,177
Non-current liabilities			
Bank and other borrowings		50,000	3,550
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		3,996	391,058
Lease liabilities		4,297	—
		58,293	394,608
NET ASSETS		716,692	491,569
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital		1	1
Reserves		715,467	489,291
Total equity attributable to equity holders of the Company		715,468	489,292
Non-controlling interests		1,224	2,277
TOTAL EQUITY		716,692	491,569

NOTES TO THE CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 June 2019

1. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF REPORTING ENTITY

The Group is principally engaged in research and development, manufacturing, sales and distribution of pharmaceutical products and the provision of marketing and promotion services to suppliers in the People's Republic of China ("PRC").

The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") and with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting".

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2019 are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Company's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Adoption of New/Revised HKFRSs – effective 1 January 2019

In the current period, the Group has applied for the first time the following new/revised HKFRSs issue by HKICPA, which are relevant to and effective for the Group's financial statements for the annual financial period beginning on 1 January 2019.

Annual Improvements to HKFRS	Annual Improvements 2015-2017 Cycle
Amendments to HKAS 28	Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures
Amendments to HKFRS 9	Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation
HKFRS 16	Leases
HK(IFRIC) – Int 23	Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments

The Directors anticipate that the application of these new or revised standards and amendments will have no material impact on the results and the financial position of the Group.

3. SEGMENT REPORTING

The Group manages its businesses by business lines. In a manner consistent with the way in which information is reported internally to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment, the Group has presented the following two reportable segments:

- Proprietary products production and sales: revenue from production and sales of NT Pharma branded products and generic drugs.
- Miacalcic: revenue from sale of Miacalcic Injection and Miacalcic Nasal Spray branded pharmaceutical products for treatment of bone pains caused by osteolysis and lower bone mass, osteoporosis, Paget's disease, hypercalcemia and reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome and sub-licensing of intellectual property rights, marketing and distribution rights of Miacalcic Injection and Miacalcic Nasal Spray.

(a) Segment results

For the purposes of assessing segment performance and allocating resources between segments, the Group's most senior executive management monitors the results attributable to each reportable segment on the following bases:

- Revenue and expenses are allocated to the reportable segments with reference to sales generated by those segments and expenses incurred specifically by those segments.
- The measure used for reporting segment operating profit is "operating profit" which is the profit from operations adjusted for items not specifically attributed to individual segments, such as other revenue, other net income/(loss), head office or corporate administration expenses.

Information regarding the Group's reportable segments as provided to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance for the six months ended 30 June 2019 and 2018 is set out below.

Continuing Operations

	Proprietary products production and sales		Miacalcic		Total	
	Six months ended 30 June		Six months ended 30 June		Six months ended 30 June	
	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Reportable segment revenue	94,023	160,007	92,032	151,978	186,055	311,985
Cost of sales	(32,786)	(48,308)	(19,394)	(22,536)	(52,180)	(70,844)
Reportable segment gross profit	61,237	111,699	72,638	129,442	133,875	241,141
Reportable segment operating profit	12,373	63,241	56,684	104,613	69,057	167,854

(b) **Reconciliations of reportable segment revenue and profit**

	Continuing Operations	
	Six months ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	<i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	<i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)
Revenue		
Reportable segment revenue and consolidated revenue	186,055	311,985
Profit		
Reportable segment operating profit	69,057	167,854
Unallocated head office and corporate expenses	(30,165)	(28,449)
Other (loss)/revenue	(2,613)	545
Fair value change on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	11	4,320
Other net loss	(2,552)	(1,751)
Finance costs	(29,991)	(26,290)
Share of gain/(loss) of an associate	3	(1)
Equity-settled share option expenses	–	(34)
Consolidated profit before taxation	3,750	116,194

4. OTHER (LOSS)/REVENUE

	Continuing Operations	
	Six months ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	<i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	<i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)
Bank interest income	1,837	1,197
Government subsidy income	–	315
Other loss	(4,450)	(967)
	(2,613)	545

5. OTHER NET LOSS

	Continuing Operations	
	Six months ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	–	–
Net exchange loss	2,552	1,751
	2,552	1,751

6. PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging:

	Continuing Operations	
	Six months ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	8,190	10,610
Amortisation of interests in leasehold land held for own use		
under operating leases	457	457
Amortisation of intangible assets	405	348
Asset impairment losses:		
– inventories	79	182
– trade debtors	10,928	687
Operating lease charges in respect of properties	6,719	6,718
Cost of inventories sold	52,180	71,214
Reversal of impairment for inventories	(340)	(552)
Reversal of impairment for trade debtors	(5,237)	(10,783)

7. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Continuing Operations	
	Six months ended 30 June	
	2019	2018
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Current tax – PRC Income Tax		
Provision for the period	50	10,006
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	<u>–</u>	<u>291</u>
Income tax expense	<u>50</u>	<u>10,297</u>

Notes:

- (i) Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands (“BVI”), the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and BVI.
- (ii) The Company’s subsidiaries in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region are subject to Hong Kong profits tax at tax rate of 16.5% (2018: 16.5%). No income tax provision is made for the Hong Kong subsidiaries for the six months ended 30 June 2019, as these subsidiaries either derived no income subject to Hong Kong profits tax or sustained losses for Hong Kong profits tax purpose.

For the six months ended 30 June 2019, the Company’s subsidiaries in PRC are subject to a statutory income tax rate of 25% (2018: 25%), except that Suzhou First is subject to income tax rate of 15% (2018: 15%).

8. EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic earnings per Share

The calculation of basic earnings per share of the Company (the “Share”) is based on the profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2019 of RMB4,892,000 (2018: RMB82,940,000) and the weighted average number of 1,668,682,310 (2018: 1,572,106,031) ordinary Shares in issue during the period.

(b) Diluted earnings per Share

The calculation of fully diluted earnings per Share is based on earnings for the six months ended 30 June 2019 of RMB4,892,000 (2018: RMB82,940,000) and the weighted average number of 1,668,682,310 (2018: 1,851,827,041) ordinary Shares in issue after adjusting for the effect of all dilutive potential ordinary Shares.

9. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	As at 30 June 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Trade debtors and bills receivable	742,242	728,400
Less: Allowance for doubtful debts	(463,831)	(486,016)
	<u>278,411</u>	<u>242,384</u>
Deposits, prepayments and other receivables	261,143	176,952
	<u>539,554</u>	<u>419,336</u>

As at 30 June 2019, none (31 December 2018: nil) of the Group's trade and other receivables were used for securing certain banking facilities.

Trade debtors are normally due within 30 to 240 days from the date of billing. Included in trade and other receivables are trade debtors and bills receivable (net of allowance for doubtful debts) with the following ageing analysis, based on the billing date of invoice, as at the date of the statement of financial position:

	As at 30 June 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Within 3 months	214,665	94,543
More than 3 months but within 6 months	9,430	69,011
More than 6 months but within 1 year	31,506	30,734
More than 1 year but within 2 years	22,810	48,096
	278,411	242,384

10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

All the trade and other payables are expected to be settled within one year or are repayable on demand.

	As at 30 June 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Trade creditors	21,575	17,829
Bills payable	10	10
	21,585	17,839
Total trade creditors and bills payable	21,585	17,839
Accrued staff costs	2,409	4,870
Construction cost payable	30,059	51,605
Investment deposit received	–	70,000
Considerations payable	10,772	10,772
Bonds payable	33,302	–
Other payables and accruals	133,357	143,447
	231,484	298,533

Included in trade and other payables are trade creditors and bills payable with the following ageing analysis, based on the date of invoice, as at the date of the statement of financial position:

	As at 30 June 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Within 3 months	16,202	10,971
More than 3 months but within 6 months	4,022	1,816
More than 6 months but within 1 year	539	3,385
More than 1 year	822	1,667
	21,585	17,839

11. BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS

As at 30 June 2019, the bank loans comprised:

	As at 30 June 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Bank borrowings	802,250	859,282
Other borrowings	106,335	147,718
	908,585	1,007,000
Secured	732,205	830,583
Unsecured	176,380	176,417
	908,585	1,007,000

As at 30 June 2019, the banking facilities were secured by certain assets of the Group as follows:

	As at 30 June 2019 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 RMB'000 (Audited)
Fixed assets	201,798	201,798
Trade receivables	60,000	75,547
Pledged bank deposits	30,010	38,000
	291,808	315,345

12. DIVIDEND

No dividend was declared or paid by the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2019.

13. NON-ADJUSTING EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

The Group had no significant non-adjusting events subsequent to 30 June 2019.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

OVERVIEW

NT Pharma is a technology-based pharmaceutical company integrated with research and development (“**R&D**”), manufacturing and sales of its own products. With its products covering therapeutic areas including central nervous system (“**CNS**”), osteology, oncology and hematology. NT Pharma owns two new National Class 1 drugs, one well-known international innovative brand-name drug and a number of generic drugs. The Group conducts its manufacturing through three subsidiaries, namely Suzhou First Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (“**Suzhou First**”), Jiangsu NT Biopharma Co., Ltd. (“**Jiangsu Biopharma**”) and NT Pharma (Changsha) Co., Ltd. (“**Changsha Pharma**”). The Group owns several sales and distribution companies with around 1,000 sales professionals and R&D specialists. It also has an extensive sales network in the People's Republic of China (“**China**” or “**PRC**”), covering nearly 10,000 hospitals.

In the first half of 2019, the Group devoted much effort to the adjustment and restructuring of its sales model, tightening of cost control and improvement of its financial condition. During the Period Under Review, prices of various products dropped due to the pressure of the centralised tender procurement program. In addition, the Group adjusted its sales model and sales channels according to the industrial policies. The overall revenue of the Group from continuing operations for the Period Under Review decreased by RMB125.9 million to RMB186.1 million, as compared with RMB312.0 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Operating profit from continuing operations for the period ended 30 June 2019 decreased by RMB102.2 million to RMB3.7 million, as compared with an operating profit of RMB105.9 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The Group recorded a net profit of RMB3.7 million for the period ended 30 June 2019, as compared with a net profit of RMB84.3 million for the corresponding period in 2018, representing a decrease of 95.6% year on year.

BUSINESS REVIEW

In the first half of 2019, the global environment continued to be uncertain. The China-United States (“**U.S.**”) trade tension and geopolitical risks in various regions exacerbated global instability. At the same time, the PRC pharmaceutical industry was still confronted with tremendous challenges. Despite the growing demand for medical services in the mainland, there was tightened price control over the medicines covered by medical insurance. The ever-changing national policies on medicines brought significant changes to the pharmaceutical industry in terms of its development trend and the competition therein. Under such circumstances, the Group continued to adhere to its established development strategy during the Period Under Review, make flexible adjustments to its business policies and consolidate internal resources. It actively arranged and deepened its sales channels for the orthopedic and psychiatric drug markets while exploring and strengthening its biotechnological research platform, with an aim to becoming an integrated technology-based pharmaceutical company with biologics development capabilities.

In the area of CNS, Shusi (generic name: quetiapine fumarate tablets), the Group's atypical antipsychotic drug, is the Group's first self-developed, produced and sold product. With more than 15 years of development, Shusi has been widely recognised by the clinical specialists and the industry, and currently takes an important position in the quetiapine generic drug market. During the Period Under Review, the Group re-adjusted its sales network and developed a targeted sales strategy. It further refined its marketing management to fully explore the potentials of the untapped market. On the one hand, it took over and deepened the sales channels in third and fourth-tier cities, on the other hand, it supplemented the markets and channels in first and second-tier cities, so as to enhance brand awareness and market penetration of Shusi. During the Period Under Review, the Group actively promoted the consistency evaluation of Shusi.

Shusi is a proprietary product of Suzhou First. In December 2013, Shusi was approved by the China Food and Drug Administration (國家藥品監督管理總局) (“CFDA”) for treatment of schizophrenia and maniacal is insultus as a result of bipolar affective disorder. Shusi is an atypical antipsychotic first-tier drug with reliable safety and good therapeutic effects on first-time psychiatric patients, elderly patients and adolescent patients. Shusi is listed on both the National Reimbursement Drug List and the National Essential Drugs List and is a state-approved prescription medicine. Shusi is a mature brand with high recognition in the quetiapine market, with its competitive pricing under the background of PRC's encouragement of generic drugs, this product will have tremendous growth potential and will continue to play a key role in the future development of the Group.

In the area of orthopedics, the acquisition of the two orthopedics formulations, injection and nasal spray, of Miacalcic (generic name: salmon calcitonin) was completed by the Group in 2016 and 2017, respectively. Miacalcic has been used for clinical purposes for more than 30 years, which is highly recognised in the orthopedics area in terms of its efficacy and brand. During the Period Under Review, the Group's sales team rapidly built up close relationships with domestic orthopedists and provided professional services. The Group's Miacalcic has been sold in 32 provinces and 36 first-tier cities across the country, as well as 12 overseas countries, laying a solid foundation for the Group's orthopedics business and strategic development.

As a well-known international orthopedic brand, Miacalcic is mainly used in the treatment for bone pain resulted from osteolysis and low bone mass, osteoporosis, Paget's disease, hypercalcemia and reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome. The Miacalcic recorded a stable sales with a global sales network covering China and other countries and regions. The Group has strategically established its presence in the area of orthopedic treatment and secured its market position.

The Group entered into a cooperation agreement with Pfenex Inc. (“**Pfenex**”), a U.S. biotechnology company, in April 2018 to jointly develop teriparatide products. Under the agreement, the Group has exclusive right to commercialise teriparatide products in five countries/regions including the PRC, Hong Kong, Thailand, Singapore and Malaysia. The overall clinical R&D results of the teriparatide products were remarkably satisfactory. The new drug application has been submitted to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (“**FDA**”) in October 2018.

Teriparatide is an important drug in the area of osteoporosis treatment. It is the first and the only FDA-approved drug for the treatment of osteoporosis, which can be used to stimulate bone formation, increase bone mass and improve bone quality. In recent years, the Group has made much effort in developing the orthopedic area. Teriparatide and Miacalcic, an existing orthopedic product, will create synergy effects in achieving complementary advantages in the orthopedic product mix. As ageing and osteoporosis symptoms are becoming more and more common, the Group aims to provide better-quality drugs to patients and further reinforce its market position in the orthopedics area at the same time.

In the areas of oncology and hematology, Xi Di Ke (generic name: uroacitide injection), a national class 1 new drug, has been approved by the CFDA for the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer and terminal breast cancer. During the Period Under Review, the Group sped up the admission work of Xi Di Ke and successfully had it admitted into the medicine catalogue for medical insurance of both Jiangsu and Anhui provinces. In addition, the Group commenced the clinical research work for Xi Di Ke in new Myelodysplastic syndromes (“**MDS**”) indications and obtained the approval of CFDA to enter the green channel for fast approval of innovative drugs. Meanwhile, it also received central subsidies of RMB5.9 million in total from the new drug project division of the National Health and Family Planning Commission (國家衛計委新藥專項組) in April 2018, which further demonstrated the PRC government’s support towards the Group’s research work on Xi Di Ke in MDS indications.

Xi Di Ke is a proprietary product of Jiangsu Biopharma. Xi Di Ke was awarded the new Good Manufacturing Practices (“**GMP**”) certification by the CFDA in March 2017 and was officially commercialised in hospitals starting from April 2017. The first prescription of Xi Di Ke was issued in June 2018. In terms of new indications, as Xi Di Ke is the only drug for the treatment of low and medium risks MDS in the market, it has exclusive treatment advantage. Xi Di Ke has also demonstrated good treatment results and safety in clinical trials.

OPERATING RESULTS

Sales

The Group's business is currently composed of two major operating segments, i.e. proprietary products manufacturing and sales and promotion of Miacalcic.

The Group's proprietary products include Shusi, Xi Di Ke, Zhuo'ao, Songzhi Wan and other drugs. For the six months ended 30 June 2019, the total revenue from manufacturing and sales of proprietary products decreased by RMB66.0 million or 41.3% to RMB94.0 million, as compared with RMB160.0 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Revenue of Shusi decreased by RMB24.9 million or 25.2% to RMB73.8 million for the Period Under Review, as compared with RMB98.7 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The decreased sales amount of Shusi was attributable to the negative impact brought by the price adjustment of Shusi after the shifting of sales model from proprietary to agency sales during the Period Under Review. For the six months ended 30 June 2019, revenue from Xi Di Ke amounted to RMB0.4 million, as compared with RMB34.3 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Revenue of Zhuo'ao decreased by RMB1.4 million or 10.0% to RMB12.6 million, as compared with RMB14.0 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The slight decrease in sales amount of Zhuo'ao was mainly due to the negative impact brought by the price adjustment of Zhuo'ao after the shifting of sales model from agency to proprietary sales during the Period Under Review.

For the six months ended 30 June 2019, revenue from the Miacalcic segment amounted to RMB92.0 million, as compared with RMB152.0 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Brand licensing fee income of Miacalcic Injection decreased by RMB2.4 million or 63.2% to RMB1.4 million for the Period Under Review from RMB3.8 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Revenue from Miacalcic Injection decreased by RMB40.5 million or 34.4% to RMB77.4 million for the Period Under Review, as compared with RMB117.9 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Brand licensing fee income of Miacalcic Nasal Spray amounted to RMB8.9 million, as compared with RMB26.5 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Revenue from Miacalcic Nasal Spray amounted to RMB4.3 million for the Period Under Review, as compared with RMB3.7 million for the corresponding period in 2018.

HUMAN RESOURCES

As at 30 June 2019, the Group had 426 full-time employees (30 June 2018: 802 employees). For the period ended 30 June 2019, the Group's total costs on remuneration, welfare and social security amounted to RMB49.7 million (30 June 2018: RMB78.5 million). The Group maintains good relationships with its employees and certain policies have been carried out to ensure that the employees are receiving competitive remuneration, good welfare and continuous professional training.

The remuneration structure of the Group is based on employee performance, local consumption levels and prevailing conditions in the human resources market. Directors' remunerations are determined with reference to individual Director's experience, responsibilities and prevailing market standards. On top of basic salaries, bonuses may be paid according to the Group's performance as well as individual's performance. Other staff benefits include contributions to the Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefits scheme in Hong Kong and various retirement benefits schemes including the provision of pension funds, medical insurance, unemployment insurance and other relevant insurance for employees of the Group pursuant to the PRC rules and regulations and the prevailing regulatory requirements of the PRC. The salaries and benefits of the Group's employees are kept at a competitive level and employees are rewarded according to their individual performances within the framework of the Group's salary and bonus system, which is being reviewed annually. The Group also has a share option scheme adopted by the Company on 22 September 2014, and a share award scheme (the "**Share Award Scheme**") adopted on 4 September 2015, where options to subscribe for Shares and Share awards may be granted to the Directors and employees of the Group.

OUTLOOK

In view of the downward pressure of the global economy in the second half of 2019, the PRC economy is expected to maintain steady growth amid the fine-tuning of macroeconomic policies. The PRC pharmaceutical industry has been growing rapidly with further improvements in the medical insurance system and continuous implementation of the supply-side reform. With the impact of factors such as frequently issued pharmaceutical policies, the promotion of the Chinese health industry strategies and an ageing population factors such as the pharmaceutical industry will undergo a structural adjustment and gradually enter a new development cycle. With further deepening efforts in national pharmaceutical reform, including the promotion of consistency evaluation on the quality and efficacy of generic drugs as well as the implementation of the new National Essential Drugs List and the centralised tender procurement program. It is believed that the pharmaceutical industry will be full of new challenges and opportunities.

The Group will continue its strategy to focus on psychiatric and orthopedic products and vigorously drive the sales of Shusi and Miacalcic. Meanwhile, through taking Shusi and Miacalcic as key products in its promotion and continuous efforts in optimising its sales management system and allocating resources to marketing, the Group aims at achieving the goal of continuous development in terms of products, sales channels and markets. The Group will ensure a more effective allocation of resources and continue to improve the operational efficiency through more stringent management and internal control.

In addition, the Group will closely monitor the developments in pharmaceutical policies and changes in the market and accelerate the progress of its R&D projects. It will strengthen its R&D capabilities in biotechnology, expedite the development of its innovation and research capabilities, and actively seize the opportunity of changes in the industry to maintain the momentum for the Group's continuous development.

FINANCIAL REVIEW – CONTINUING OPERATIONS

Revenue

	For the six months ended 30 June							
	2019 Sales volume '000	2019 Unit price RMB	2019 Sales amount RMB'000	2019 Proportion (%)	2018 Sales volume '000	2018 Unit price RMB	2018 Sales amount RMB'000	2018 Proportion (%)
Proprietary products production and sales								
Shusi	2,532	29.1	73,771	39.7%	3,137	31.5	98,747	31.7%
Xi Di Ke	1	603.8	357	0.2%	73.4	467.3	34,301	11.0%
Zhuo'ao	6,195	2.0	12,551	6.7%	7,049	2.0	14,027	4.5%
Others	8,113	0.9	7,344	3.9%	7,839	1.6	12,932	4.1%
Subtotal			94,023	50.5%			160,007	51.3%
Miacalcic								
Miacalcic Injection	485	159.6	77,400	41.6%	649	181.7	117,920	37.8%
Miacalcic Nasal Spray	22	192.7	4,297	2.3%	16	232.7	3,723	1.2%
Brand licensing fee income of Miacalcic Injection	38	38.8	1,456	0.8%	85	45.2	3,839	1.2%
Brand licensing fee income of Miacalcic Nasal Spray	62	142.9	8,879	4.8%	146	181.0	26,496	8.5%
Subtotal			92,032	49.5%			151,978	48.7%
Total			186,055	100.0%			311,985	100.0%

Revenue from manufacturing and sales of proprietary products decreased by RMB66.0 million to RMB94.0 million, accounting for 50.5% of the total revenue in the Period Under Review, as compared with RMB160.0 million or 51.3% of the Group's revenue in the corresponding period in 2018. The decrease in revenue from manufacturing and sales of proprietary products was due to the negative impact on the unit price of propriety products Shusi and Zhuo'ao after the shifting of sales model and sales channels during the Period Under Review.

During the Period Under Review, both the sales volume and unit price of Miacalcic dropped as a result of the change in sales channels as well as the impact of the prices in certain overseas markets. Miacalcic contributed income of RMB92.0 million to the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2019 as compared to RMB152.0 million for the corresponding period in 2018.

Cost of Sales

For the six months ended 30 June 2019, cost of sales decreased by RMB18.7 million to RMB52.2 million, as compared with RMB70.8 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The decrease in cost of sales was mainly due to the decrease in cost of sales of Shusi and Zhuo'ao during the Period Under Review.

Gross Profit

Products	For the six months ended 30 June			
	2019	2019	2018	2018
	Gross	Gross	Gross	Gross
	Profit	Profit	Profit	Profit
	<i>RMB'000</i>	Margin	<i>RMB'000</i>	Margin
Proprietary products production and sales				
Shusi	56,860	77.1%	75,750	76.7%
Xi Di Ke	340	95.2%	29,674	86.5%
Zhuo'ao	7,378	58.8%	8,683	61.9%
Others	(3,341)	(45.5)%	(2,408)	(18.6)%
Subtotal	61,237	65.1%	111,699	69.8%
Miacalcic				
Miacalcic Injection	60,432	78.1%	96,061	81.5%
Miacalcic Nasal Spray	1,871	43.5%	3,046	81.8%
Brand licensing fee income of Miacalcic Injection	1,456	100.0%	3,839	100.0%
Brand licensing fee income of Miacalcic Nasal Spray	8,879	100.0%	26,496	100.0%
Subtotal	72,638	78.9%	129,442	85.2%
Total	133,875	72.0%	241,141	77.3%

Gross profit decreased by RMB107.2 million to RMB133.9 million in the six months ended 30 June 2019, as compared with RMB241.1 million in the corresponding period in 2018. Gross profit margin decreased by 5.3 percentage points to 72.0% for the six months ended 30 June 2019, as compared with 77.3% for the corresponding period in 2018. The decrease in gross profit margin was mainly due to the decrease in average selling prices and sales contribution of products with higher gross profit margin such as Shusi and Xi Di Ke, as well as the decrease in revenue contribution from Miacalcic.

Reportable Segments Operating Profit

The operating expenses of the Group decreased by RMB8.5 million or 11.6% to RMB64.8 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019, as compared with RMB73.3 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The Group recorded an operating profit of RMB69.1 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019, as compared with RMB167.9 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The following table sets forth a breakdown of the Group's operating profit by reportable segments for the six months ended 30 June 2019:

Products	For the six months ended 30 June			
	2019	2019	2018	2018
	Operating Profit	Operating profit margin	Operating Profit	Operating profit margin
	RMB'000		RMB'000	
Proprietary products production and sales	12,373	13.2%	63,241	39.5%
Miacalcic	56,684	61.6%	104,613	68.8%
Total	69,057	37.1%	167,854	53.8%

Finance Costs

The Group's finance costs consist of interest on bank borrowings and bank charges. Finance costs increased by RMB3.7 million or 14.1% to RMB30.0 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019, as compared to RMB26.3 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The increase in finance costs was mainly due to an increase in bank borrowing interest rates as compared with the corresponding period in 2018.

Taxation

Income tax expense was RMB0.05 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019 as compared to an income tax expense of RMB10.3 million for the corresponding period in 2018.

Profit/Core Profit Attributable to Equity Holders of the Company

Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2019 was RMB4.8 million as compared to a net profit of RMB82.9 million for the corresponding period in 2018. Core profit attributable to equity holders of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2019 was RMB7.3 million as compared to a core profit of RMB84.7 million for the corresponding period in 2018.

Earnings per Share

The basic earnings per Share and basic core earnings per Share are calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company and the core profit attributable to equity holders of the Company, respectively, by the weighted average number of ordinary Shares of the Company in issue during the six months ended 30 June 2019. The diluted earnings per Share and diluted core earnings per Share are calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company and the core profit attributable to equity holders of the Company, respectively, by the weighted average number of ordinary Shares of the Company in issue during the six months ended 30 June 2019 (with adjustments made for all potential dilution effect of the ordinary Shares).

	As at 30 June	
	2019	2018
Profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (RMB'000)	4,751	82,940
Plus: equity-settled share option expenses (RMB'000)	–	34
Plus: share of gain/(loss) of an associate (RMB'000)	(3)	1
Plus: net exchange loss (RMB'000)	2,552	1,751
Plus: net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment (RMB'000)	–	–
Core profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (RMB'000)	7,300	84,726
Less: Fair value gain on financial liabilities of convertible preference shares (RMB'000)	–	(4,320)
Diluted core profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (RMB'000)	7,300	80,406
Weighted average number of ordinary Shares in issue (Thousand Shares)	1,668,682	1,572,106
Weighted average number of ordinary Shares in issue after taking into the effect of Shares issued upon exercise of share options (Thousand Shares)	1,668,682	1,851,827
Basic earning per Share (RMB cent per Share)	0.28	5.28
Diluted earnings per Share (RMB cent per Share)	0.28	4.48
Basic core earnings per Share (RMB cent per Share)	0.44	5.39
Diluted core earnings per Share (RMB cent per Share)	0.44	4.34

The core profit attributable to equity holders of the Company is the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company excluding equity settled share option expenses, share of loss of an associate, net exchange loss and net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment.

Capital Expenditure

Total capital expenditure decreased by RMB113.5 million or 76.6% to RMB34.7 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019, as compared with RMB148.2 million for the corresponding period in 2018. The capital expenditure was mainly used for acquiring the exclusive intellectual property rights and distribution rights relating to Miacalcic Nasal Spray drug products.

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Treasury Policies

The primary objective of the Group's capital management is to maintain its ability to continue as a going concern so that the Group can constantly provide returns for shareholders of the Company and benefits for other stakeholders by implementing proper product pricing and securing access to financing at reasonable costs. The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure and makes adjustments by taking into consideration the changes in economic conditions, its future capital requirements, prevailing and projected profitability and operating cash flows, projected capital expenditures and projected strategic investment opportunities. The Group closely monitors its debt/assets ratio, which is defined as total borrowings divided by total assets.

Foreign Currency Exposure

The Group is exposed to currency risks primarily through sales made by the Group's Hong Kong and PRC subsidiaries, certain bank deposits and bank loans which are denominated in Hong Kong dollars. The Group recorded a net exchange profit of RMB2.6 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019, while the net exchange loss of the Group for the corresponding period in 2018 was RMB1.8 million. Currently, the Group does not employ any financial instruments to hedge foreign exchange risk.

Interest Rate Exposure

The Group's interest rate risk arises primarily from bank loans, unsecured debenture and bank balances. Borrowings at variable rates expose the Group to cash flow interest rate risk. Currently, the Group does not employ any financial instruments to hedge against interest rate risk.

	As at 30 June 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Total debt	(1,363,663)	(1,411,632)
Pledged bank deposits, cash and cash equivalents	<u>106,615</u>	<u>125,793</u>
Net debt	<u>(1,257,048)</u>	<u>(1,285,839)</u>

The maturity profile of the Group's borrowings is set out as follows:

	As at 30 June 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Repayable:		
Within 1 year or on demand	778,072	775,786
After 1 year but within 2 years	112,520	95,070
After 2 years but within 5 years	<u>67,993</u>	<u>139,694</u>
	<u>958,585</u>	<u>1,010,550</u>

The Group's bank borrowings as at 30 June 2019 were approximately RMB852.3 million (31 December 2018: RMB859.3 million), out of which RMB619.4 million were bank borrowings from banks in the PRC (31 December 2018: RMB587.6 million) with fixed interest rates ranging from 4.3% to 6.5% per annum. As at 30 June 2019, the Group's bank borrowings of approximately RMB232.9 million (31 December 2018: RMB271.7 million) were made from banks in Hong Kong.

As at 30 June 2019, the Group's other borrowings amounted to RMB106.3 million in aggregate (2018: RMB151.3 million) with fixed interest rates ranging from 5.40% to 14.04% per annum.

Debt-to-Assets Ratio

To ensure its solvency and its ability to continue as a going concern, the Group closely monitors its debt-to-assets ratio to optimize its capital structure.

	As at 30 June 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	As at 31 December 2018 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
Total debt	1,363,663	1,411,632
Total assets	2,343,029	2,227,162
Debt-to-assets ratio	58.2%	63.4%

Charges on the Group's Assets

As at 30 June 2019, the Group's bank deposits of RMB78.0 million (31 December 2018: RMB38.0 million) were pledged to the banks to secure certain bank loans and bills payable amounting to a total of RMB76.5 million (31 December 2018: RMB38.0 million). As at 30 June 2019, certain banking facilities of the Group were secured by the Group's fixed assets, which amounted to RMB46.3 million (31 December 2018: RMB277.3 million).

Capital Commitments

The Group is the lessee of a number of properties under operating leases. The leases typically run for an initial period of one to three years. None of the leases includes contingent rentals.

Significant Investments Held

Except for investments in its subsidiaries, the Group did not hold any significant investment in equity interest in any other company for the six months ended 30 June 2019.

Material Acquisition and Disposal

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 10 July 2019 in relation to the conditional acquisition agreements dated 25 June 2019 entered into among, among others, the Company and WD Investment Co., Ltd and the conditional subscription agreements entered into among, among others, the Company and Hong Kong WD Pharmaceutical Co., Limited (the "**Target Company**"), pursuant to which the Company will be interested in approximately 52.00% of the total issued share capital of the Target Company upon completion of the acquisition and subscription and the Target Company will become a non-wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "**Proposed Transactions**").

The Proposed Transactions are subject to Shareholders' approval and a circular containing further details of the Proposed Transactions and the notice of extraordinary general meeting will be provided to Shareholders in due course. Please refer to the announcement dated 10 July 2019 for further details.

Save as disclosed above, during the Period Under Review, the Group did not have any other material acquisition or disposal.

Future Plans for Material Investments and Capital Assets

The Group did not have other plans for material investments and capital assets for the six months ended 30 June 2019.

Contingent Liabilities

As at 30 June 2019, the Group had no material contingent liabilities.

ISSUE OF CONVERTIBLE BONDS

On 1 April 2019 and 2 April 2019, the Company entered into a placing agreement and a supplemental placing agreement respectively with the placing agent in relation to the issuance of convertible bonds in an aggregate principal amount of HK\$234,600,000. Below is a summary of the placing of the convertible bonds and the use of net proceeds:

Date of agreement	Date of completion	Fund-raising activity	Net proceeds raised	Reasons for fund-raising and use of net proceeds	Closing price on the last trading day prior to the date of agreement	Actual use of net proceeds as at 30 June 2019
1 April 2019	18 April 2019	Convertible bonds in an aggregate principal amount of HK\$234,600,000 have been allotted and issued to three placees under the general mandate. Such perpetual convertible bonds could be converted into 316,172,506 ordinary Shares with an aggregate par value of US\$25.29 at an initial conversion price of HK\$0.742 per conversion share. The three placees are Mr. Ho Kin, Mr. Jeong Chong Mang and Firstgreat Limited. Firstgreat Limited is a company beneficially owned by Mr. Cheung Ching Ping Stephen.	HK\$234,200,000	Repayment of existing debts, business development and general working capital	HK\$0.70	All net proceeds have been utilised for the repayment of existing debts, business development and general working capital

Details of the issuance of convertible bonds were set out in the announcements of the Company dated 1 April 2019, 2 April 2019, 17 April 2019 and 18 April 2019.

Save as disclosed above, the Company did not issue other equity securities (including securities convertible into equity securities) for cash during the Period Under Review.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

Apart from a total of 1,680,500 Shares purchased by the trustee of the Share Award Scheme on the Stock Exchange at the price of approximately HK\$3,330,000 in aggregate pursuant to the terms of the Share Award Scheme and the relevant trust deed, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities for the six months ended 30 June 2019.

Save as disclosed above, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the listed securities of the Company during the Period Under Review.

COMPLIANCE WITH CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Company is committed to ensuring high standards of corporate governance and has adopted the code provisions set out in the Corporate Governance Code (the “**CG Code**”) contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules and certain recommended best practices. The Company has complied with all the applicable code provisions in the CG Code throughout the six months ended 30 June 2019 except for the deviation from code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code, which stipulates that the roles of chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. Mr. Ng Tit assumes both the roles of chairman and chief executive officer of the Company. Nevertheless, the division of responsibilities between the two roles is clearly defined. On the whole, the role of chairman is that of monitoring the duties and performance of the Board, whereas the role of chief executive officer is that of managing the Company's business. The Board believes that at the current stage of development of the Company, vesting the roles of both chairman and chief executive officer in the same person provides the Company with a strong and consistent leadership and allows for effective and efficient planning and implementation of business decisions and strategies.

The Board currently comprises four executive Directors, two non-executive Directors and three independent non-executive Directors, with the independent non-executive Directors representing one-third of the Board members. Such percentage of independent non-executive Directors on the Board can ensure their views carry significant weight and reflect the independence of the Board.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS OF LISTED ISSUERS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transaction by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules (the “**Model Code**”) as its code of conduct regarding Directors' securities transactions on terms no less exacting than the requested standard set out in the Model Code. Having made specific enquiry by the Company, all Directors have confirmed that they have complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30 June 2019. The Company continues and will continue to ensure the compliance with the corresponding provisions set out in the Model Code.

DIVIDENDS

The Board did not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2019 (2018: nil).

REVIEW OF INTERIM REPORT BY AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee of the Company (the “**Audit Committee**”) comprises Mr. Patrick Sun (Chairman), Mr. Tze Shan Hailson Yu and Dr. Hong Yan, who are all independent non-executive Directors. The Audit Committee has reviewed the unaudited interim report of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2019 and has recommended its adoption by the Board. The Audit Committee is of the opinion that the financial statements comply with the applicable accounting standards.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

As of the date of this announcement, there is no significant event after the reporting period that is required to be disclosed by the Group.

By order of the Board
China NT Pharma Group Company Limited
NG Tit
Chairman

Hong Kong, 20 August 2019

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors of the Company are Mr. Ng Tit, Ms. Chin Yu, Mr. Wu Weizhong and Mr. Wang Fei; the non-executive Directors of the Company are Dr. Qian Wei and Ms. Lou Jianying; and the independent non-executive Directors of the Company are Mr. Patrick Sun, Mr. Tze Shan Hailson Yu and Dr. Hong Yan.