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Kangji Medical Holdings Limited 康基医疗控股有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 9997)

INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of Kangji Medical Holdings Limited (the "Company", and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated interim results of the Group for the six months ended June 30, 2023 (the "Reporting Period"), together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2022, as follows:

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS			
	Six months en	ded June 30,	
	2023	2022	Changes
	RMB'000	RMB'000	%
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Revenue	403,589	332,321	21.4
Gross profit	321,755	265,712	21.1
Profit for the period	229,297	153,497	49.4
Profit attributable to owners of the parent	255,461	157,713	62.0
Earnings per share			
-Basic (RMB)	21.83 cents	12.95 cents	68.6
-Diluted (RMB)	21.73 cents	12.95 cents	67.8

For the Reporting Period, the Company realized revenue of RMB403.6 million, representing an increase of 21.4% as compared to the corresponding period in 2022. Our increase in sales was mainly attributable to a moderate growth in sales for the domestic market along with the gradual recovery of elective surgery volume after the COVID-19 restrictions were relaxed. Our export sales also increased moderately, which was driven mainly by sales of disposable trocars, polymer ligation clips and electrocoagulation forceps.

The Group's net profit attributable to owners of the parent for the Reporting Period increased by 62.0% from RMB157.7 million in 2022 to RMB255.5 million in 2023. The increase was mainly attributable to our sales growth and other income including interest income and foreign exchange gain, and partly offset by the increase of expenses primarily due to research and development ("R&D") expenses contributed by Hangzhou Weijing Medical Robot Co., Ltd.* ("Weijing Medical") since our acquisition of Weijing Medical.

The Board did not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Notes	2023 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 (Unaudited) <i>RMB</i> '000
REVENUE Cost of sales	4	403,589 (81,834)	332,321 (66,609)
Gross profit		321,755	265,712
Other income and gains Selling and distribution expenses Administrative expenses Research and development costs Impairment losses on financial assets, net Other expenses Finance costs	4	93,775 (32,553) (45,416) (60,076) (1,647) (3,379) (1,177)	61,393 (23,893) (32,998) (26,280) (639) (47,786) (715)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	5	271,282	194,794
Income tax expense	6	(41,985)	(41,297)
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		229,297	153,497
Attributable to: Owners of the parent Non-controlling interests		255,461 (26,164) 229,297	157,713 (4,216) 153,497
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS)/INCOME			
Other comprehensive (loss)/income that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods: Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		(3,057)	1,062
Net other comprehensive (loss)/income that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods		(3,057)	1,062

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Continued)

	Note	2023 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>
Other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods: Exchange differences on translation of the Company's financial statements into			
presentation currency			82,182
Net other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods			82,182
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS)/INCOME FOR THE PERIOD, NET OF TAX		(3,057)	83,244
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD		226,240	236,741
Attributable to: Owners of the parent Non-controlling interests		252,404 (26,164)	240,957 (4,216)
		226,240	236,741
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT			
Basic	8	RMB21.83 cents	RMB12.95 cents
Diluted	8	RMB21.73 cents	RMB12.95 cents

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

30 June 2023

	Notes	30 June 2023 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>	31 December 2022 (Audited) <i>RMB'000</i>
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NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	9	192,490	169,020
Prepayments for property, plant and equipment		406	1,087
Right-of-use assets		98,951	99,571
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		138,706	136,437
Goodwill		167,209	167,209
Intangible assets		284,626	284,712
Deferred tax assets		3,380	3,115
Total non-current assets		885,768	861,151
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories		112,748	105,399
Trade receivables	10	169,149	163,145
Prepayments, other receivables and other assets		22,198	25,700
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		11,161	11,156
Cash and cash equivalents	11	3,002,425	2,818,360
Total current assets		3,317,681	3,123,760
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables	12	29,342	20,752
Other payables and accruals		293,204	82,942
Lease liabilities		6,091	6,696
Deferred income		1,821	636
Tax payable		33,169	42,643
Total current liabilities		363,627	153,669
NET CURRENT ASSETS		2,954,054	2,970,091
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,839,822	3,831,242

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Continued)

30 June 2023

	30 June	31 December
	2023	2022
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	RMB'000	RMB'000
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Lease liabilities	41,815	42,323
Deferred income	318	636
Deferred tax liabilities	75,424	69,475
Total non-current liabilities	117,557	112,434
Net assets	3,722,265	3,718,808
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EQUITY Equity of the state of the second se		
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	0.6	0.6
Share capital	86	86
Reserves	3,402,533	3,372,912
	3,402,619	3,372,998
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Non-controlling interests	319,646	345,810
Total equity	3,722,265	3,718,808
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INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Notes	2023 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Profit before tax		271,282	194,794
Adjustments for: Finance costs Bank interest income Foreign exchange differences, net	4	1,177 (42,636) (23,227)	715 (26,530) 24,153
Investment income/(losses) from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Fair value gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4	(53) (2,269)	23,532
Gain on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Depreciation of right-of-use assets Amortisation of intangible assets		(57) 10,659 5,378 125	(12) 6,588 2,253 98
Impairment of trade receivables, net Impairment of other receivables, net Recognition of deferred income Lease modification	5	1,647 - (318) (304)	638 1 (318)
Share-based payment expense		228,677	7,526 233,438
Increase in inventories Increase in trade receivables Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, other receivables and other assets		(7,349) (7,651) 3,502	(27,390) (34,860) (5,694)
Increase in trade payables Decrease in other payables and accruals Increase in deferred income		8,590 (20,897) 1,185	1,613 (22,631)
Cash generated from operations Interest received Income tax paid		206,057 9,268 (45,775)	144,476 8,301 (24,026)
Net cash flows from operating activities		169,550	128,751

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

	2023 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>
Net cash flows from operating activities	169,550	128,751
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment	(23,619)	(30,447)
Purchases of items of intangible assets	(39)	(1,534)
Purchases of right-of-use assets	(854)	(37,890)
Proceeds from disposal of items of property,		
plant and equipment	481	88
Purchases of financial assets at fair value		
through profit or loss	(9,179)	(1,429,062)
Proceeds from sales of financial assets	` , ,	
at fair value through profit or loss	9,179	1,458,726
Investment income/(loss) from financial assets	,	
at fair value through profit or loss	48	(23,532)
Interest received	_	4,681
Increase in time deposits with		
original maturity of over three months	(1,225,916)	(273,068)
Acquisition of a subsidiary	_	(19,823)
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(1,249,899)	(351,861)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Shares repurchased	(13,707)	(13,062)
Repayment of other borrowings	_	(5,000)
Principal portion of lease payments	(4,718)	(454)
Interest paid	(1,177)	(715)
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Net cash flows used in financing activities	(19,602)	(19,231)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND		
CASH EQUIVALENTS	(1,099,951)	(242,341)

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

	2023 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>	2022 (Unaudited) <i>RMB</i> '000
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	1,738,963 24,732	2,177,833 58,534
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	663,744	1,994,026
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position Time deposits with original maturity of over three	3,002,425	3,056,468
months when acquired	(2,338,681)	(1,062,442)
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows	663,744	1,994,026

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The interim condensed consolidated financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2023 has been prepared in accordance with HKAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*. The interim condensed consolidated financial information does not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

2. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial information are consistent with those applied in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022, except for the adoption of the following new and revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") for the first time for the current period's financial information.

Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statements 2 Amendments to HKAS 8 Amendments to HKAS 12

Amendments to HKAS 12

Disclosure of Accounting Policies

Definition of Accounting Estimates

Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising
from a Single Transaction

International Tax Reform – Pillar Two Model Rules

The nature and impact of the new and revised HKFRSs that are applicable to the Group are described below:

- (a) Amendments to HKAS 1 require entities to disclose their material accounting policy information rather than their significant accounting policies. Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements. Amendments to HKFRS Practice Statement 2 provide non-mandatory guidance on how to apply the concept of materiality to accounting policy disclosures. The Group has applied the amendments since 1 January 2023. The amendments did not have any impact on the Group's interim condensed consolidated financial information but are expected to affect the accounting policy disclosures in the Group's annual consolidated financial statements.
- (b) Amendments to HKAS 8 clarify the distinction between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies. Accounting estimates are defined as monetary amounts in financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty. The amendments also clarify how entities use measurement techniques and inputs to develop accounting estimates. The Group has applied the amendments to changes in accounting policies and changes in accounting estimates that occur on or after 1 January 2023. Since the Group's policy of determining accounting estimates aligns with the amendments, the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group.
- (c) Amendments to HKAS 12 Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction narrow the scope of the initial recognition exception in HKAS 12 so that it no longer applies to transactions that give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences, such as leases and decommissioning obligations. Therefore, entities are required to recognise a deferred tax asset (provided that sufficient taxable profit is available) and a deferred tax liability for temporary differences arising from these transactions. The amendments did not have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

2. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (Continued)

The nature and impact of the new and revised HKFRSs that are applicable to the Group are described below: (Continued)

(d) Amendments to *HKAS 12 International Tax Reform – Pillar Two Model Rules* introduce a mandatory temporary exception from the recognition and disclosure of deferred taxes arising from the implementation of the Pillar Two model rules published by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. The amendments also introduce disclosure requirements for the affected entities to help users of the financial statements better understand the entities' exposure to Pillar Two income taxes, including the disclosure of current tax related to Pillar Two income taxes separately in the periods when Pillar Two legislation is effective and the disclosure of known or reasonably estimable information of their exposure to Pillar Two income taxes in periods in which the legislation is enacted or substantively enacted but not yet in effect. Entities are required to disclose the information relating to their exposure to Pillar Two income taxes in annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023, but are not required to disclose such information for any interim periods ending on or before 31 December 2023. The Group has applied the amendments retrospectively. Since the Group did not fall within the scope of the Pillar Two model rules, the amendments did not have any impact to the Group.

3. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is not organised into business units based on their products and only has one reportable operating segment. Management monitors the operating results of the Group's operating segment as a whole for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment.

4. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

An analysis of revenue is as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2023	2022
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Revenue from contracts with customers	403,589	332,321

4. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS (Continued)

Revenue from contracts with customers

(a) Disaggregated revenue information

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2023	2022
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Type of goods or services		
Sale of medical instruments	403,589	332,321
Geographical markets		
Mainland China	364,464	301,774
Other countries/regions	39,125	30,547
Total revenue from contracts with customers	403,589	332,321
Timing of revenue recognition		
Goods transferred at a point in time	403,589	332,321
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(b) Performance obligation

Information about the Group's performance obligation is summarised below:

Sale of medical instruments

The performance obligation is satisfied upon acceptance of the goods and payment is generally due within one month, extending up to two to six months for certain customers.

An analysis of other income and gains is as follows:

For the six months ended 30 June	
2023	
audited)	(Unaudited)
RMB'000	RMB'000
42,636	26,530
25,200	34,564
23,227	_
2,269	_
443	299
93,775	61,393
	2023 audited) 2MB'000 42,636 25,200 23,227 2,269 443

5. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2023 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cost of inventories sold	81,834	66,609
Impairment of trade and other receivables, net	1,647	639
Government grants	(25,200)	(34,564)
Gain on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	(57)	(12)
Foreign exchange differences, net	(23,227)	24,153
Share-based payment expense	7,273	7,526

6. INCOME TAX

The Group is subject to income tax on an entity basis on profit arising in or derived from the jurisdictions in which members of the Group are domiciled and operate.

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands, the Company is not subject to any income tax in this jurisdiction.

The Group is subject to income tax on an entity basis on profits arising in or derived from the jurisdictions in which members of the Group are domiciled and operate.

Pursuant to the relevant tax law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2022: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the period. The first HK\$2,000,000 (2022: HK\$2,000,000) of assessable profits of this subsidiary are taxed at 8.25% (2022: 8.25%) and the remaining assessable profits are taxed at 16.5% (2022: 16.5%).

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of Singapore, Singapore profits tax has been provided at the rate of 17% (2022: 17%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Singapore during the period.

The provision for Mainland China current income tax is based on the statutory rate of 25% of the assessable profits of certain PRC subsidiaries of the Group as determined in accordance with the PRC Corporate Income Tax Law which was approved and became effective on 1 January 2008, except for certain subsidiaries of the Group in Mainland China which are granted tax concessions and are taxed at preferential tax rates.

Pursuant to the Corporate Income Tax Law of the PRC and the respective regulations, preferential tax treatment is available to Hangzhou Kangji Medical Instrument Ltd., since it was recognised as a High and New Technology Enterprise and was entitled to a preferential tax rate of 15% (2022: 15%) during the year. Hangzhou Kangji Suixi Medical Instrument Ltd., which operates in Mainland China, was identified as a Small and Micro Enterprise and was entitled to a preferential tax rate of 2.5% (2022: 2.5%) during the period.

6. INCOME TAX (Continued)

The Group calculates the income tax expense using the tax rate that would be applicable to the expected total annual earnings. The major components of income tax expense in the interim condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income are:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2023	2022
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Current – Mainland China:	RMB'000	RMB'000
Charge for the period	36,301	37,072
Deferred	5,684	4,225
Total tax charge for the period	41,985	41,297

7. DIVIDENDS

On 27 March 2023, the final dividend of RMB18.45 cents per share, amounting to a total of approximately RMB224,498,000 was approved by the Company's shareholders at the annual general meeting and was fully paid on 10 July 2023.

The board does not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2023.

8. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT

The calculation of the basic earnings per share amounts is based on the profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent of RMB255,461,000 (2021: RMB157,713,000), and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 1,170,059,826 (six months ended 30 June 2022: 1,218,260,613) in issue during the period, as adjusted to reflect the shares held for share award arrangement and shares repurchased during the period.

The calculation of the diluted earnings per share amount is based on the profit for the six months ended 30 June 2023 attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent. The weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation is the number of ordinary shares in issue during the period, as used in the basic earnings per share calculation, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise of all dilutive potential ordinary shares arising from share options and RSUs granted by the Company.

The calculation of diluted earnings per share for the six months ended 30 June 2022 did not assume the exercise of all dilutive potential ordinary shares arising from share options and RSUs granted by the Company because the exercise price of these share options and RSUs was higher than the average market price for shares for the period.

8. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT (Continued)

The calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share are based on:

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	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2023 (Unaudited) RMB'000	2022 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>
Earnings Profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent, used in the basic and diluted earnings per share calculation	255,461	157,713
	For the size ended 3	
	2023 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)
 Shares Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period used in the basic earnings per share calculation 	1,170,059,826	1,218,260,613
Effect of dilution-weighted average number of ordinary shares arising from share options and restricted share units	5,312,991	
	1,175,372,817	1,218,260,613
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
	30 June 2023 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>	31 December 2022 (Audited) <i>RMB</i> '000
Carrying amount at beginning of period/year Additions Acquisition of a subsidiary	169,020 34,549	87,585 95,083 1,013
Depreciation provided during the period/year Disposals Exchange realignment	(10,659) (424) 4	(14,514) (166) 19
Carrying amount at end of period/year	192,490	169,020

10. TRADE RECEIVABLES

	30 June 2023 (Unaudited) <i>RMB'000</i>	31 December 2022 (Audited) <i>RMB'000</i>
Trade receivables Impairment	173,896 (4,747)	166,245 (3,100)
	169,149	163,145

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit. The credit period is generally one month, extending up to two to six months for certain customers. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables and overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management. In view of the aforementioned and the fact that the Group's trade receivables relate to a large number of diversified customers, there is no significant concentration of credit risk. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancement over its trade receivable balances. Trade receivables are non-interest-bearing.

An ageing analysis of the trade receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date and net of loss allowance, is as follows:

	30 June 2023	31 December 2022
	(Unaudited) RMB'000	(Audited) RMB'000
Within 3 months	134,926	135,002
3 to 6 months	17,989	20,410
6 to 12 months	15,047	6,132
1 to 2 years	1,111	1,552
Over 2 years		49
	169,149	163,145

11. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	30 June 2023	31 December 2022
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Cash and bank balances	523,218	887,621
Time deposits	2,479,207	1,930,739
Cash and cash equivalents	3,002,425	2,818,360
Denominated in RMB	2,305,941	2,198,489
Denominated in US\$	684,168	606,656
Denominated in HK\$	12,185	13,117
Denominated in other currencies	131	98
Cash and cash equivalents	3,002,425	2,818,360

The RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies. However, under Mainland China's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Time deposits are made for varying periods depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group, and earn interest at the respective time deposit rates. The bank balances are deposited with creditworthy banks with no recent history of default.

12. TRADE PAYABLES

An ageing analysis of the trade payables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	30 June	31 December
	2023	2022
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Within 3 months	24,922	19,151
3 to 6 months	2,497	611
6 to 12 months	979	708
Over 12 months	944	282
	29,342	20,752

Trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on 45-day terms.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

BUSINESS OVERVIEW AND OUTLOOK

We are a leading medical device manufacturer in China offering a diversified product portfolio of medical equipment, instruments and accessories devoted to minimally invasive surgery. Through our subsidiary, Weijing Medical, we also have a platform with surgical robotic system and consumable products which will be commercialized by leveraging the Group's extensive distribution network as well as our strong manufacturing capability and clinical trial and regulatory approval experience.

As China went to a post-pandemic full reopening in December 2022, economic and business activities across the board in China have been recovering steadily for the first half of 2023. Despite some COVID impact and seasonality factors (e.g., Chinese New Year) in the first quarter, patient traffic and surgery volume rebounded significantly. By the end of the first half of 2023, the domestic elective surgery volume has basically recovered to a pre-pandemic level, which has increased the market demand for our products.

Our domestic sales growth for the first half of 2023 was driven mainly by growth in sales of disposable products (among the top three core product categories), as well as the significant increase in sales of 4K-ultra resolution endovision camera systems. On volume-based procurement ("VBP"), during the Reporting Period, we had won new bids for our core products. The most notable one was in Anhui province for non-absorbable ligation clips, for which we won first place with the highest weighted score based on factors such as price cut, hospital coverage, and share in hospitals' procurement volume. As a result, we were also allocated the highest hospital procurement volume. Since the bidding price is still higher than our ex-factory pricing, we do not expect any change to our distributor model and margin level. We also won bids in Yunnan and Shandong provinces respectively on ultrasonic scalpel with bidding results similar to the Guangdong-led alliance VBP. The distributor model will remain the same for ultrasonic scalpel. The implementation date, for these new VBPs are yet to be confirmed as of now.

One VBP implementation for disposable trocars in Guangdong province commenced during the first half of 2023. We have switched from a distributor model to a "logistics partner + academic promotion partner" model, which has proven to be an effective model for disposable trocars in VBP area. While announcements for new VBPs have been ongoing, overall, we do anticipate increasing visibility on more rational VBP policies. These policies have weighed various factors, which favor domestic leading players with relatively more established track record, greater market share, as well as reliable and stable supply. We expect the impact from ongoing VBP to be manageable in the foreseeable future and there will be more potential for us to gain market share through import substitution in the long run.

Outside of China, we continued the growth momentum for exports. The number of overseas countries/regions we sell to as well as the number of customers continued to increase in the first half of 2023 while the concentration of customers determined based on sales amount has decreased. For the six months ended June 30, 2023, we achieved an export sale of RMB39.1 million, representing a 28.1% growth from the corresponding period of the previous year with the benefit of U.S. dollars' appreciation (our exports sales amount is denominated in U.S. dollars).

The growth was also attributable to increasing penetration in existing European and South American markets such as the U.K, Italy and Peru. We continued to engage with authorized distributors to increase the sales of Kangji-branded products in these markets. We have also actively participated in and have been preparing for more industry conferences and international academic promotion events. During the Reporting Period, we added nine overseas product registrations, mainly in Europe and Southeast Asia through our overseas OEM customers or distributors.

For the six months ended June 30, 2023, we achieved total revenue of RMB403.6 million, representing a 21.4% increase from the corresponding period of the previous year. The growth in revenue was mainly attributable to the growth of core disposable products and 4K-ultra resolution endovision camera systems. The Group's net profit attributable to owners of the parent for the six months ended June 30, 2023 increased by 62.0% from RMB157.7 million for the corresponding period in 2022 to RMB255.5 million in the Reporting Period. The increase was mainly attributable to our sales growth and other income (including interest income and foreign exchange gain), and partly offset by the increase of R&D expenses contributed by Weijing Medical since our acquisition of Weijing Medical. The Group's adjusted total net profit attributable to owners of the parent for the Reporting Period, which excludes fair value gain on equity investment, share-based payment expense, foreign exchange difference, and investment gain/loss from short-term financial products, has increased by 10.2% from RMB215.3 million to RMB237.2 million.

Research and Development

In the Reporting Period, the Group added 7 new product registrations in China excluding renewal of product registrations. As of June 30, 2023, we had an aggregate of 85 domestic NMPA product registrations including 12 for Class III medical devices, 39 for Class II medical devices and 34 for Class I medical devices. In the Reporting Period, the Group also obtained 58 new patents in China which include 27 new patents from Weijing Medical.

We continued our strategy to further diversify our product mix, and within each product category, we strived to provide a comprehensive offering addressing differentiated clinical needs. For example, for our disposable trocar product series, during the Reporting Period, we obtained new approval for disposable trocars with cleaning rings and disposable trocars with filters. We recently obtained approval for a new disposable balloon trocar and are in the process of registering for disposable rotatable multi-channel single-port trocar to upgrade and supplement our offering. For ligation clips, we received the registration approval for our absorbable clips in the first half of 2023 and we expect to receive approval for multi-fire polymer ligation clips soon. Together with our existing polymer ligation clips and titanium clips, we would have a very comprehensive ligation clip portfolio.

In the first half of 2023, we set up a new project management team within the R&D department that focuses on progress management of various R&D projects with a goal to enhance efficiency of our R&D projects. We continued to grow our R&D team including adding a specialist to lead our project on absorbable implantable consumables. These organizational improvements aim at monitoring projects more effectively, in terms of documentation, time and cost management to internal reporting and problem solving, etc., and also enhancing accountability of and incentives for our R&D staff.

In the Reporting Period, Weijing Medical also made progress in its R&D development. We acquired Weijing Medical in February 2022 and it serves as a platform that focuses on developing surgical robotic systems and related instruments and accessories for laparoscopic surgery. For 3-arm surgical robot, patient enrollment in urology was completed with ongoing preparation for registration; for 4-arm surgical robot, type inspection was recently completed, and clinical trial is expected to start in the fourth quarter of 2023 with registration approval to be expected in 2024. We also plan to complete product design finalisation for single-port surgical robot in the second half of this year.

Sales and Distribution

Following the establishment of our sales offices in Shanghai and Guangzhou respectively in 2022, we added more district sales managers in the Reporting Period who strengthened the management of and support to local distributors, and this led to increased sales in markets such as the Guangdong province.

After China's post-pandemic full reopening, most of our academic promotion activities have returned to in-person events. We have carried out many well-planned thematic academic promotion conferences and training sessions in the first half of 2023 including product specific, surgical department specific as well as clinical area focused conferences and training sessions. For example, we have increased our single-port procedures training centers to 13 training centers nationally through collaboration with local reputable hospitals. These training centers have provided training to more than 200 doctors from over 100 hospitals. At the same time, we continued to build our online platform for training and academic promotion purposes. These online and offline events also serve as a communication and learning platform for doctors in different tiers of hospitals in all regions across the country.

Forward Outlook

Looking ahead, despite the healthy recovery of elective surgery volume and hospital capex, as well as the more rational VBP policies, there are some uncertainties in the overall macro environment and from the government's near-term anti-corruption campaign. We remain cautious on providing guidance for the full-year forecast.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The following discussions are based on the financial information and notes set out in other sections of this announcement and should be read in conjunction with them.

Revenue

	Six months ended June 30,		
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	Changes %
Disposable products			
Disposable trocars	169,856	155,243	9.4
Polymer ligation clips	99,404	83,128	19.6
Disposable electrocoagulation forceps	51,505	39,794	29.4
Ultrasonic scalpels	12,479	6,086	105.0
Other disposable products ⁽¹⁾	8,776	8,762	0.2
Sub-total	342,020	293,013	16.7
Reusable products			
4K endoscopic camera systems	17,888	3,490	412.6
Other reusable products ⁽²⁾	43,681	35,818	22.0
Sub-total	61,569	39,308	56.6
Total	403,589	332,321	21.4

Notes:

- (1) Other disposable products primarily include, among others, disposable suction and irrigation sets and retrieval bags.
- (2) Other reusable products primarily include reusable trocars and reusable forceps.

Our revenue amounted to RMB403.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023, representing an increase of 21.4% as compared to RMB332.3 million for the corresponding period in 2022. The increase in revenue was primarily attributable to: (i) the increase in sales of disposable electrocoagulation forceps, ultrasonic scalpels and reusable products; and (ii) the continuing growth in export sales due to demand in overseas market continued to grow as well as our ongoing effort to expand our overseas channels, increase product registrations and overseas marketing activities.

Disposable Products

Our disposable products include disposable trocars, polymer ligation clips, disposable electrocoagulation forceps, ultrasonic scalpels, and other disposable products. Our disposable products recorded revenue of RMB342.0 million for the Reporting Period, representing an increase of 16.7% as compared to RMB293.0 million for the corresponding period in 2022. Such increase was mainly attributable to the year-on-year growth in revenue in disposable trocars, polymer ligation clips and disposable electrocoagulation forceps. Due to the release of restrictions and lockdowns from COVID outbreaks in China since early 2023, demand for disposable products had been increased by the gradual recovery in elective surgery in the first half of 2023. During the Reporting Period, sales of disposable products accounted for 84.7% of our total revenue as compared to 88.2% for the corresponding period in 2022.

Disposable trocars recorded revenue of RMB169.9 million for the Reporting Period, representing an increase of 9.4% as compared with RMB155.2 million for the corresponding period in 2022. Both our export sales of disposable trocars and overall sales of single-site trocars exhibited strong growth in the first half of 2023. During the Reporting Period, VBP for disposable trocars was effective in Guangdong province and we enhanced our cooperation with logistics and external promotion partners under the non-distributor model to achieve sales growth in VBP regions.

Sales of polymer ligation clips exhibited positive year-on-year growth which were driven by growth in surgery volume and partly stimulated by the general price cut in end market price and our broader access to hospitals. Sales of polymer ligation clips in Shandong, Henan, Hebei and Shanxi provinces, currently under the four-province alliance VBP, recorded strong growth in the Reporting Period, while for other areas it grew at a slower pace partly due to uncertainty in regional VBP.

Disposable electrocoagulation forceps continued to experience a rapid growth in demand and recorded a high sales growth for the Reporting Period. This can be mainly attributed to a relatively underpenetrated market segment and our focused effort to drive sales across the product portfolio.

Reusable Products

Our reusable products recorded revenue of RMB61.6 million for the Reporting Period, representing an increase of 56.6% as compared with RMB39.3 million for the corresponding period in 2022. Such increase was mainly due to the increase in sales of 4K endoscopic camera systems and reusable forceps.

Sales Channel

Most of our revenue comes from sales to domestic customers. During the Reporting Period, we primarily sold our products to domestic distributors. To a lesser extent, we also sold to domestic hospitals and other customers primarily including distribution companies that we sell to who then distribute our products under VBPs or under the "two-invoice" system to hospitals. For overseas markets, our customers mainly include overseas original design manufacture ("**ODM**") customers and overseas distributors.

Revenue from overseas markets was approximately RMB39.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023, representing an increase of 28.1% from the corresponding period in 2022. Our export sales are transacted in USD, where our export sales growth was benefited by the appreciation of USD during the Reporting Period. Growth of our export sales was strong during the Reporting Period due to our ongoing effort to expand overseas channels into 47 countries/regions and increase product registrations in overseas markets. Revenue from overseas markets accounted for 9.7% of our total revenue for the first half of 2023 as compared to 9.2% for the corresponding period in 2022.

The following table sets forth our revenue by geographic market and sales channel for the periods indicated:

	Six months ended June 30,		
	2023 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	Changes %
Domestic – Distributors – Hospitals and other customers ⁽¹⁾	333,143 31,321	284,840 16,934	17.0 85.0
Sub-total	364,464	301,774	20.8
Overseas - ODM customers - Distributors	31,154 7,971	25,772 4,775	20.9 66.9
Sub-total	39,125	30,547	28.1
Total	403,589	332,321	21.4

Note:

(1) Other customers include distribution companies we sell to directly for products under the "two-invoice" system and under VBPs that have been implemented in certain areas such as Shandong, Fujian, Hunan and Hebei provinces.

Cost of Sales

Our cost of sales during the Reporting Period mainly consisted of raw materials, direct labor costs and manufacturing costs.

For the six months ended June 30, 2023, our cost of sales was RMB81.8 million, representing an increase of 22.9% as compared with RMB66.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2022. The increase in cost of sales was primarily in line with the increase in sales revenue. During the Reporting Period, the increase in raw materials and manufacturing costs were generally in line with our increased production and sales. Our direct labor costs remained relatively stable in the first half of 2023, reflecting the economies of scale we were able to achieve in our operations.

The following table sets forth the breakdown of our cost of sales by nature for the periods indicated:

Six	months	ended	June	30.

	202	23	2022	2
	Amount	% of total RMB'000 (except (Unaudit		% of total
Raw materials Direct labor costs	42,817 19,486	52.3 23.8	31,657 20,092	47.5 30.2
Manufacturing costs ⁽¹⁾	19,480	23.8	14,860	22.3
Total	81,834	100.0	66,609	100.0

Note:

(1) Manufacturing costs primarily include utilities costs, overhead expenses and depreciation of our manufacturing equipment.

Gross Profit and Gross Margin

Our gross profit increased by 21.1% to RMB321.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023 from RMB265.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2022, due to an increase in sales.

Our gross profit margin was 79.7% for the six months ended June 30, 2023, slightly down from 80.0% for the six months ended June 30, 2022, which was primarily due to the change in product mix attributable to the decrease in sales contribution from disposable products which generally have higher gross margins than our reusable products.

Specifically, contribution from our newer products such as ultrasonic scalpels and 4K ultra resolution endovision camera systems increased during the Reporting Period and these products' gross margins, even though have been increasing, are relatively lower than disposable products.

The following table sets forth the breakdown of our gross profit and gross profit margin by product type for the periods indicated:

	Six months ended June 30,			
	202	2023		22
	Gross profit	Gross profit margin RMB'000 (exce (Unau		Gross profit margin
Disposable products Reusable products	286,875 34,880	83.9 % 56.7 %	243,805 21,907	83.2% 55.7%
Total	321,755	79.7%	265,712	80.0%

Other Income and Gain

Other income and gain for the six months ended June 30, 2023 was RMB93.8 million, while for the six months ended June 30, 2022, it was RMB61.4 million. The increase was primarily due to (1) an increase of RMB16.1 million in interest income arising from bank deposits; and (2) an increase of RMB23.2 million in foreign exchange gain mainly attributable to the appreciation of our USD denominated bank deposits as USD strengthened against RMB during the Reporting Period.

Selling and Distribution Expenses

Selling and distribution expenses were RMB32.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023, representing an increase of 36.2% as compared with RMB23.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2022. The increase was primarily due to (1) the increase in marketing and promotion fees paid to external partners as a result of the implementation of VBP for disposable trocars in more provinces; and (2) the increase in travelling and exhibition related expenses associated with advertising and academic promotion activities due to the travel restrictions under COVID-19 were lifted in the Reporting Period.

Administrative Expenses

Administrative expenses amounted to RMB45.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023, representing an increase of 37.6% as compared with RMB33.0 million for the corresponding period in 2022. The increase was mainly due to the increase in salaries, office and entertainment expenses.

Research and Development Expenses

R&D expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2023 was RMB60.1 million, representing an increase of 128.6% as compared with RMB26.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2022, primarily due to (i) the increase in R&D expense in the amount of RMB27.9 million by Weijing Medical on a year-on-year basis, and (ii) the increase in materials cost, testing fees and conference fees attributable to our R&D team.

Other Expenses

Other expenses primarily consist of donation, foreign exchange loss, and investment loss from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. For the Reporting Period, we recorded other expenses of RMB3.4 million, which was primarily attributable to donations made during the period.

Income Tax Expenses

Income tax expenses were RMB42.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2023, representing an increase of 1.7% as compared to RMB41.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2022. The increase in income tax expenses was primarily due to the increase in taxable profit of our operating entities in mainland China for the Reporting Period.

Non-HKFRS Adjusted Net Profit for the Reporting Period

To supplement our unaudited consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income which is presented in accordance with the HKFRS, we also use adjusted net profit as a non-HKFRS measure, which is not required by, or presented in accordance with, HKFRS. We believe that the presentation of non-HKFRS measure when shown in conjunction with the corresponding HKFRS measures provides useful information to investors and management in facilitating a comparison of our operating performance from period to period by eliminating potential impacts of certain non-operational or one-off expenses that do not affect our ongoing operating performance, including fair value gain on equity investment, foreign exchange difference, share-based payment expenses and investment gain/loss from short-term financial products. Such non-HKFRS measure allows investors to consider metrics used by our management in evaluating our performance.

The following table shows our adjusted net profit for the Reporting Period and its reconciliation to profit for the periods indicated:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2023	2022
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent	255,461	157,713
Add/(Less):		
Fair value gain on equity investment	(2,269)	_
Foreign exchange difference	(23,227)	26,549
Share-based payment expenses	7,273	7,526
Investment (gain)/loss from short-term financial products	(53)	23,532
Non-HKFRS adjusted net profit for the period attributable		
to owners of the parent	237,185	215,320

Notes:

- (1) Fair value gain on equity investment is non-operational in nature which mainly arises from the change in fair value of our investment in Shenzhen Edge Medical Co., Ltd.* (深圳市精鋒醫療科技股份有限公司) for the periods, the amount of which may not directly correlate with the underlying performance of our business operations.
- (2) Foreign exchange difference is non-operational in nature which mainly arises from the currency fluctuation of USD against RMB for the periods, the amount of which may not directly correlate with the underlying performance of our business operations. The Group's net exchange gain of RMB23,227,000 in the Reporting Period comprises the exchange gain of RMB23,227,000 attributable to owners of the parent and nil attributable to non-controlling interests.
- (3) Share-based payment expenses are non-operational expenses arising from granting restricted share units ("RSUs") and pre-IPO share options to selected management members, the amount of which may not directly correlate with the underlying performance of our business operations, and is also affected by non-operating performance related factors that are not closely or directly related to our business activities.
- (4) Investment (gain)/loss from short-term financial products purchased mainly for hedging foreign currency fluctuations is non-operational in nature which is affected by the currency fluctuation of USD against RMB for the periods, the amount of which may not directly correlate with the underlying performance of our business operations.

The use of the non-HKFRS measures has limitations as an analytical tool, and it should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for or superior to analysis of, our results of operations or financial condition as reported under HKFRS. In addition, the non-HKFRS financial measure may be defined differently from similar terms used by other companies and therefore may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

During the Reporting Period, we financed our operations and other capital expenditure requirements primarily through cash generated from our operations and proceeds from the Company's initial public offering on the Stock Exchange on June 29, 2020.

As of June 30, 2023, we had cash and cash equivalents of RMB3,002.4 million, as compared with RMB2,818.4 million as of December 31, 2022.

Net Current Assets

We had net current assets of RMB2,954.1 million as of June 30, 2023, representing a decrease of RMB16.0 million as compared with RMB2,970.1 million as of December 31, 2022. The decrease in net current assets was relatively insignificant.

Foreign Exchange Exposure

During the Reporting Period, the Group's operations were primarily based in Mainland China. Assets, liabilities and transactions in the PRC are mainly denominated in RMB, while overseas assets and transactions are mainly denominated in USD. We are exposed to foreign currency risks, primarily including account receivables, account payables and cash balances that are denominated in a foreign currency, i.e., a currency other than our functional currency. For the six months ended June 30, 2023, the Group recorded an exchange gain of RMB23.2 million, as compared to an exchange loss of RMB24.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2022, primarily due to the appreciation of our bank deposits denominated in USD.

The Group has been actively monitoring and overseeing its foreign exchange risks and mitigating its potential risk exposure with the use of short-term financial products should the need arise.

Capital Expenditure

For the six months ended June 30, 2023, the Group's total capital expenditure amounted to approximately RMB34.6 million, which was primarily used in purchasing machinery and equipment and construction of buildings. The Group's capital expenditure for the six months ended June 30, 2022 was approximately RMB69.9 million.

Charge of Assets/Pledge of Assets

As of June 30, 2023, we did not have any charge of assets or pledge of assets.

Borrowings

As of June 30, 2023, we did not have any outstanding bank loans and other borrowings. We monitor capital using a gearing ratio, which is debt divided by total assets. Debt includes trade payables, other payables and accruals, and lease liabilities. As of June 30, 2023, the gearing ratio of the Group was 8.8% (as of December 31, 2022: 3.8%).

Contingent Liabilities

As of June 30, 2023, we did not have any outstanding contingent liabilities.

Major Investment, Acquisition and Disposal

As of the date of this announcement, the Group did not hold any major investments in the equity interest of any other companies, or have any other major acquisition or disposal during the Reporting Period.

Future Plans for Material Investments and Capital Assets

The Group intends to utilize the net proceeds raised from the Company's global offering to pursue strategic investment and to fund acquisition of capital assets for our expansion in the manner set out in the prospectus of the Company dated June 16, 2020 (the "**Prospectus**") and further explained in section headed "Use of Proceeds from the Global Offering" below. Save as disclosed in this announcement, the Group did not have any plan for material investments and capital assets.

Employee and Remuneration Policy

As of June 30, 2023, the Group had 982 employees (June 30, 2022: 846 employees). Total staff remuneration expenses including remuneration of the Directors and share-based payment expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2023 amounted to RMB67.9 million (for the six months ended June 30, 2022: RMB62.3 million).

The remuneration committee of the Company is responsible for reviewing the Company's emolument policy and structure for all remuneration of the Directors and senior management of the Company. The remuneration of Directors and senior management is determined with reference to the salaries of comparable companies and their experience, duties and performance. The remuneration of other employees is determined with reference to performance, skills, qualifications and experience of the staff concerned and in accordance with the prevailing industry practice.

In recognition of the contributions of our Directors, senior management and employees and to incentivize them to further promote our development, the Company adopted the pre-IPO share option plan and the RSU plan on May 6, 2020. During the Reporting Period, no RSU under the RSU plan were granted to our senior management and employees. As of June 30, 2023, a total of 26,810,000 RSUs had been granted under the RSU plan.

USE OF PROCEEDS FROM THE GLOBAL OFFERING

In connection with the Company's global offering, 225,397,500 Shares of US\$0.00001 each were issued at a price of HK\$13.88 per Share for a total cash consideration of approximately HK\$2,952.5 million (equivalent to RMB2,697.1 million), after deducting underwriting commissions and related fees and expenses.

The net proceeds from the global offering of the Company (adjusted on a pro rata basis based on the actual net proceeds) have been and will be utilized in that same manner, proportion and the expected timeframe as set out in the Prospectus under the section headed "Future Plans and Use of Proceeds". The table below sets out the planned applications of the net proceeds and actual usage up to June 30, 2023:

Use of proceeds	Percentage of total net proceeds (%)	Planned applications (HK\$ million)	Planned applications (RMB million)	Revised application of total net proceeds ⁽¹⁾ (RMB million)	Utilization during the six months ended June 30, 2023 (RMB million)	Actual usage up to June 30, 2023 (RMB million)	Unutilized net proceeds as at June 30, 2023 (RMB million)	Expected timeframe for unutilized net proceeds (from the date of listing)
For expanding our production capacity and strengthen our manufacturing capabilities, including:								
to expand production capacity of our current products and further automate existing production lines	9.8	273.5	249.9	264.3	6.9	25.2	239.1	within three to five years
to build up production capabilities for pipeline products	10.2	284.7	260.1	275.1	20.0	99.0	176.1	within six years
For funding our R&D activities, including:								
to establish R&D centers	17.0	474.5	433.5	458.5	11.1	65.0	393.5	within four years
for development and expansion of our product pipeline	8.0	223.3	204.0	215.8	20.1	102.7	113.1	within five to six years
For investing in our sales and marketing activities, including:								
to be used in our domestic sales and marketing activities ⁽²⁾	15.0	418.6	382.5	404.5	14.6	40.7	363.8	within four to five years within three to
to increase our overseas sales	5.0	139.6	127.5	134.9	0.5	1.7	133.2	five years
For funding potential strategic investment and acquisitions	25.0	697.8	637.5	674.3	-	207.5	466.8	within five years
For our working capital and general corporate purposes	10.0	279.1	255.0	269.7	34.0	159.3	110.4	within four to six years
Total	100.0	2,791.1	2,550.0	2,697.1	107.2	701.1	1,996.0	

Notes:

- (1) By excluding the underwriting commissions and related fees and expenses, the actual net proceeds planned for applications amounted to RMB2,697.1 million. Net proceeds were received in HK\$ and translated to RMB for application planning.
- (2) On March 25, 2021, the Board resolved to change the location of the sales and marketing center to be established from our headquarters to Beijing, which is in line with our latest business strategy and does not deviate from our originally planned application of the net proceeds as described in the Prospectus. Other than this minor change, no amendment has been made to the disclosure in the section headed "Future Plans and Use of Proceeds" in the Prospectus.

OTHER INFORMATION

Compliance with the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code")

The Company is committed to maintaining high standard of corporate governance to safeguard the interests of its shareholders, enhance corporate value, formulate its business strategies and policies, and enhance its transparency and accountability.

The Company has adopted the code provisions of the CG Code as set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") as its own code of corporate governance.

The Board is of the view that the Company has complied with all applicable code provisions of the CG Code during the Reporting Period, except for a deviation from the code provision C.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of chairman and chief executive officer of the Company are not separate and are both performed by Mr. ZHONG Ming. The Company has a professional management team to monitor the operations of the subsidiaries. The Board considers that vesting the roles of chairman and chief executive officer in the same person is more efficient in the direction and management of the Company and does not impair the balance of power and authority of the Board and the management of the business of the Group. The Board will review the corporate governance structure and practices from time to time and shall make necessary arrangements when the Board considers appropriate.

Compliance with the Model Code for Securities Transactions

The Company has adopted the Guidelines for Securities Transactions by Directors (the "Written Guidelines") on no less exacting terms than the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules as its own code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors.

Having made specific enquiry, all of the Directors have confirmed that they have complied with the Model Code and the Written Guidelines during the six months ended June 30, 2023. No incident of non-compliance of the Written Guidelines by the employees who are likely to be in possession of inside information of the Company was noted by the Company.

Purchase, Sale or Redemption of the listed Securities of the Company

The Company repurchased a total of 1,780,500 shares of the Company ("Shares") on the Stock Exchange at an aggregate consideration of approximately HK\$15.7 million (excluding brokerage fees and taxes) during the six months ended June 30, 2023 (during the six months ended June 30, 2022: nil) at price ranging from HK\$8.18 to HK\$9.25. 2,521,000 Shares (which have been repurchased by the Company in December 2022 and during the Reporting Period) were cancelled during the six months ended June 30, 2023.

Review of Interim Results

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") consists of two independent non-executive Directors, Mr. CHEN Weibo and Mr. JIANG Feng, and one non-executive Director, Ms. CAI Li. The chairman of the Audit Committee is Mr. CHEN Weibo. The Audit Committee has reviewed the interim results of the Group for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and has recommended for the Board's approval thereof.

The Audit Committee has reviewed together with the management the accounting principles and policies adopted by the Group and the interim condensed consolidated financial information for the six months ended June 30, 2023. The Audit Committee was satisfied that such consolidated financial information were prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting standards and fairly present the Group's financial position and results for the Reporting Period.

This interim results announcement is made based on the unaudited condensed consolidated financial information of the Group for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

Events after the Reporting Period

No significant event has occurred since the end of the Reporting Period and up to the date of this announcement.

Interim Dividend

The Board did not recommend the payment of any interim dividend for the six months ended June 30, 2023.

Publication of Interim Results and Interim Report

This announcement is published on the website of the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company's website (www.kangjimedical.com). The interim report of the Company for the six months ended June 30, 2023 containing all the information in accordance with the requirements under the Listing Rules will be dispatched to the shareholders of the Company and published on the respective websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company on or about September 25, 2023.

By order of the Board

Kangji Medical Holdings Limited

ZHONG Ming

Chairman

Hangzhou, PRC, August 29, 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Mr. ZHONG Ming, Ms. SHENTU Yinguang, Ms. Frances Fang CHOVANEC and Mr. YIN Zixin as executive Directors; Ms. CAI Li as non-executive Director; and Mr. JIANG Feng, Mr. GUO Jian and Mr. CHEN Weibo as independent non-executive Directors.

* For identification purpose only