Financial statements

31 December 2019

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GENERAL INFORMATION

THE BANK

Canadia Bank Lao Limited (the "Bank"), a subsidiary of Canadia Bank Plc, was established in Lao People's Democratic Republic ("Lao PDR"). The Bank operates under Banking License No. 28/BOL granted by Bank of the Lao PDR ("the BOL") on 14 August 2015.

The initial registered capital of the Bank is LAK 300,000,000,000. The actual paid-up capital as at 31 December 2019 is LAK 300,000,000,000.

The principal activities of the Bank are to provide comprehensive banking and related financial services.

The Bank is located at Pangkham Road, Xiengyeun Village, Chathabouly District, Vientiane Capital, Lao PDR

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Members of the Board of Directors during the year ended 31 December 2019 and as at the date of these financial statements are as follows:

Name	Title	Date of appointment
Mr. Pung Kheav Se	Chairman	Appointed on 21 March 2014
Mr. Charles Chuon Vann	Vice chairman	Appointed on 21 March 2014
Mr. Dethphouvang Moularath	Independent Director	Appointed on 1 September 2015
Mr. Lee Hong	Independent Director	Appointed on 1 September 2015
Mr. Ou Sophanarith	Member	Appointed on 21 March 2014
Ms. Song Khenglay	Member	Appointed on 21 March 2014

MANAGEMENT

Members of the Management during the year ended 31 December 2019 and as at the date of these financial statements are as follows:

Name	Title	Date of appointment/resignation
Mr. Buth Ang Mr. Im Sovanrith Mr. Thai Nha	Chief Executive Officer Chief Financial Officer Chief Financial Officer	Appointed on 6 June 2015 Appointed on 1 January 2020 Appointed on 9 December 2015 Resigned on 1 January 2020

LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

The legal representative of the Bank during the year ended 31 December 2019 and as at the date of these financial statements is Mr. Buth Ang – Chief Executive Officer.

AUDITORS

The auditor of the Bank is Ernst & Young Lao Co., Ltd.

REPORT OF MANAGEMENT

Management of Canadia Bank Lao Ltd ("the Bank") is pleased to present its report and the Bank's financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2019.

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY IN RESPECT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements of each financial year in accordance with the Accounting Law of the Lao PDR and the regulations stipulated by Bank of the Lao PDR relevant to preparation and presentation of financial statements. In preparing those financial statements, management is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Bank will continue its business.

Management is responsible for ensuring that proper accounting records are kept which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Bank and to ensure that the accounting records comply with the applied accounting system. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Bank and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Management confirmed that it has complied with the above requirements in preparing the accompanying financial statements.

STATEMENT BY MANAGEMENT

Management does hereby state that, in its opinion, the accompanying financial statements are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Accounting Law of the Lao PDR and the regulations stipulated by Bank of the Lao PDR relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements.

For and on behalf of management

ADIA BANK LAO CO.,LTD

Mr. Buth Ang Chief Executive Officer

Vientiane, Lao PDR

30 March 2020



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To: The Board of Directors of Canadia Bank Lao Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Canadia Bank Lao Limited ("the Bank"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019, the income statement, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of the Bank are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Accounting Law of the Lao PDR and the regulations stipulated by Bank of the Lao PDR relevant to preparation and presentation of financial statements.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Bank in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) and the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Lao PDR, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matters

We draw attention to Note 2 to the financial statements, which describes the accounting policies adopted by the Bank. These accounting policies are not intended to present the financial position, the results of operations and cash flows of the Bank in accordance with international generally accepted accounting principles.

We also draw attention to Note 21.3 to the financial statements, which describes the request of the Ministry of Finance for commercial banks to recalculate profit tax for the years from 2016 to 2019 and the potential impact on deductible expenses for profit tax calculation during these period subject to pending clarification and detailed implementation guidance from authorized agencies.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of these matters.



Responsibilities of the Bank's Management for the Financial Statements

The Bank's management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Accounting Law of Lao PDR and the regulations stipulated by Bank of the Lao PDR relevant to preparation and presentation of financial statements, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Bank's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Bank or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

- ldentify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Bank's internal control.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Bank's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Bank to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

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

Vientiane, Lao PDR

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INCOME STATEMENT for the year ended 31 December 2019

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Code	ITEMS	Notes	2019 LAKm	
A.	OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSES			
1. 1.1	Interest and similar income Interest and similar income from interbank	3	27,298	
1.2	transactions Interest and similar income from customers		2,316 24,982	
2. 2.1	Interest and similar expense Interest and similar expense for customers	3	(290) (290)	(125) (125)
I.	NET INTEREST AND SIMILAR INCOME		27,008	26,741
3	Fee and commission income	4	713	629
4	Fee and commission expense	4	(305)	(302)
5	Net gain from foreign currency trading	5	3,177	1,882
11.	NET OPERATING INCOME		30,593	28,950
В	OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSES			
6	Other operating income	6	2,898	3,112
7	Administration expenses	_	(8,765)	(8,404)
7.1 7.2	Payroll and other staff costs Other administration expenses	7 8	(6,200) (2,565)	(5,344) (3,060)
8	Depreciation and amortization charges		(2,551)	(1,746)
9	Other operating expenses	9	(4,391)	-
10	Provision for non-performing loans	14.2	(9,135)	(5,635)
III.	TOTAL PROFIT BEFORE TAX		8,649	16,277
11	Current profit tax	21.2	(1,392)	(3,466)
IV.	NET PROFIT AFTER TAX		7,257	12,811

Prepared by:

Mr. Im Sovanrith Chief Financial Officer

Vientiane, Lao PDR

30 March 2020

Reviewed by: แต่มาถาม ร้อง แลมมาเดยลาอ จำกัด co.ltd

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION as at 31 December 2019

Code	ASSETS	Notes	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
	Cash and balances with the BOL		26,864	33,108
1	Cash on hand	10	8,070	6,211
2	Balances with the BOL	11	18,794	26,897
II	Due from other banks		101,619	125,569
1	Demand deposits	12.1	18,849	15,141
2	Term deposits	12.2	82,770	110,428
Ш	Investment securities		23,058	-
1	Available-for-sale	13	23,058	-
Ш	Loans to customers, net of specific provision	14	197,380	197,018
			101,000	101,010
IV	Property, equipment and right-of-use		0.400	2 204
1	assets Tangible fixed assets	15.1	8,498 3,186	3,364 3,364
2	Tangible fixed assets Right of used assets	15.1	5,100 5,312	3,304
	Right of used assets	15.2	5,312	-
V	Other assets		41,421	25,606
1	Accrued interest receivable	16	37,643	23,922
2 3	Tax receivables	21.1	3,110	-
3	Other assets	16	668	1,684
	TOTAL ASSETS		398,840	384,665

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued) as at 31 December 2019

Code	LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL	Notes	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
I	Due to other banks Demand deposits	18	51,799 51,799	44,300 44,300
11 1 2 3	Due to customers Demand deposits Saving deposits Fixed term deposits	19	10,096 501 3,407 6,188	14,735 2,517 8,929 3,289
III 1 2 3 4	Other liabilities Accrued interests payable Taxes payable Lease liabilities Other payables TOTAL LIABILITIES	21.1 20 20	6,730 112 - 5,322 1,296 68,625	2,032 75 813 - 1,144 61,067
1V 1 2 3 4	Capital and reserves Paid-up capital Regulatory reserve General provision Retained earnings TOTAL CAPITAL	22 14.2	300,000 2,963 425 26,827 330,215	300,000 2,237 1,065 20,296 323,598
	TOTAL LIABILITES AND CAPITAL		398,840	384,665

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued) as at 31 December 2019

Code	OFF BALANCE SHEET ITEMS	Notes	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
1 A 1	Collaterals and Mortgages for loans Collaterals and Mortgages for loans Collaterals and Mortgages for loans to customers		662,306	584,821
,	TOTAL COLLATERALS AND MORTGAGES		662,306	584,821

Prepared by:

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Mr. Im Sovanrith Chief Financial Officer

Vientiane, Lao PDR

30 March 2020

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 31 December 2019

	Paid-up capital LAKm	Regulatory reserve LAKm	General provision LAKm	Retained earnings LAKm	Total LAKm
Balance as at 01/01/2018 Net profit for the year Additional regulatory reserve Net provision for performing loans during the year Foreign exchange differences reserve	300,000	956 - 1,281 -	3,780 - - (2,810) 95	8,766 12,811 (1,281)	313,502 12,811 - (2,810) 95
Balance as at 31/12/2018 Net profit for the year Appropriate regulatory reserve Net provision for current loans during the year Reclassify provision for special mentioned loans under BOL	300,000	2,237 - 726	1,065 - 39	20,296 7,257 (726)	323,598 7,257 - 39
334 Foreign exchange difference	ТТ	1 1	(683)	i i	(683)
Balance as at 31/12/2019	300,000	2,963	425	26,827	330,215

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Mr. Buth Ang ຫລວາ Chief Executive Officer

Prepared by:

Mr. Im Sovanrith Chief Financial Officer

Vientiane, Lao PDR

30 March 2020

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS for the year ended 31 December 2019

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ITEMS	Notes	2019 LAKm	2018 LAKm
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net profit before tax		8,649	16,277
Adjustments for: Depreciation and amortization charges Provision for credit losses Foreign exchange gains arising from revaluation of monetary accounts denominated in foreign currencies Interest income Interest expense	14.2 5 3 3	2,551 13,526 (3,176) (27,298) 290	1,746 2,825 (1,881) (26,866) 125
Operating profit before changing in operating assets and liabilities (Increase)/decrease in operating assets		(5,458)	(7,774)
Balances with other banks Available-for-sale securities Loans and advances to customers Other assets Increase/(decrease) in operating liabilities		27,834 (23,058) (13,857) (681)	(31,657) - (31,760) 13,297
Due to other banks Due to customers Other liabilities	,	7,500 (4,640) 2,594	(4,294) 6,907 2,132
Profit tax paid during the year Interest received Interest paid	21.2	(5,315) 13,576 (253)	(4,249) 11,142 (124)
Net cash flows used in operating activities		(1,758)	(46,380)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments to acquire property and equipment Net cash flows used in investing activities	2	(603) (603)	(363) (363)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Net cash flows from financing activities		-	-
Net change in cash for the year		(2,361)	(46,743)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year		47,205	93,948
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year	23	44,844	47,205

Prepared by:

Mr. Im Sovanrith **Chief Financial Officer**

Vientiane, Lao PDR

30 March 2020

Reviewed by

Mr. Buth Ang Chief Executive Officer

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Establishment and operations

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The principal activities of the Bank are to provide comprehensive banking and related financial services.

Paid-up capital

The initial registered capital of the Bank is LAK 300,000,000,000. The actual paid-up capital as at 31 December 2019 is LAK 300,000,000.

Board of Directors

Members of the Board of Directors during the year ended 31 December 2019 and as at the date of these financial statements are as follows:

Name	Title	Date of appointment
Mr. Pung Kheav Se	Chairman	Appointed on 21 March 2014
Mr. Charles Chuon Vann	Vice chairman	Appointed on 21 March 2014
Mr. Dethphouvang Moularath	Independent Director	Appointed on 1 September 2015
Mr. Lee Hong	Independent Director	Appointed on 1 September 2015
Mr. Ou Sophanarith	Member	Appointed on 21 March 2014
Ms. Song Khenglay	Member	Appointed on 21 March 2014

Management

Members of the Management during the year ended 31 December 2019 and as at the date of these financial statements are as follows:

Name	<u>Title</u>	Date of appointment/resignation
Mr. Buth Ang Mr. Im Sovanrith Mr. Thai Nha	Chief Financial Officer	Appointed on 6 June 2015 Appointed on 1 January 2020 Appointed on 9 December 2015 Resigned on 1 January 2020

Location

The Bank is located at Pangkham Road, Xiengyeun Village, Chathabouly District, Vientiane Capital, Lao PDR.

Employees

Total employees of the Bank as at 31 December 2019 were 66 people (31 December 2018: 53 people)

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1. Statement of compliance

Management of the Bank states that the accompanying financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the Accounting Law of Lao PDR and the regulations stipulated by Bank of the Lao PDR relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements.

2.2. Basis of preparation

The Bank prepared its financial statements in millions of Lao Kip ("LAKm") in accordance with Decree No. 02/PR by the Prime Minister of Lao PDR dated 22 March 2000 and the Accounting Law of Lao PDR and the regulations stipulated by Bank of the Lao PDR relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements ("LAS").

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using accounting principles, procedures and reporting practices generally accepted in Lao PDR. Accordingly, the income statement, the statement of financial position, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows and the notes thereto are not designed for those who are not informed about Lao PDR's accounting principles, procedures and practices and furthermore are not intended to present the financial position of the Bank and the results of its operations and its cash flows in accordance with accounting principles and practices generally accepted in countries other than Lao PDR.

Fiscal year

The Bank's fiscal years applicable for the preparation of its financial statements start on 1 January and end on 31 December.

2.3 Changes in accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted by the Bank in preparation of these financial statements are consistent with those used in preparation of the Bank's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018, except for the changes in the accounting policies and notes in relation to the following.

2.3.1. Leases

In 2019, the Bank of the Lao PDR issued the Notification No. 1433/BOL dated 24 October 2019 and the Notification No. 216/BOL dated 25 Feb 2020 that allow commercial banks to apply IFRS 16 either from the year 2019 or 2020 for preparation and presentation of financial statements.

The Bank has opted to apply IFRS 16 starting from the year 2019 for preparation and presentation of financial statements.

IFRS 16 sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases and requires lessees to account for most leases under a single on-balance sheet model.

The Bank adopted IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective method of adoption with the date of initial application of 1 January 2019. Under this method, the standard is applied retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initially applying the standard recognised at the date of initial application. The Bank elected to use the transition practical expedient to not reassess whether a contract is or contains a lease at 1 January 2019. Instead, the Bank applied the standard only to contracts that were previously identified as leases at the date of initial application.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.3 Changes in accounting policies (continued)

2.3.1. Leases (continued)

The Bank has lease contracts for office building. Before the adoption of IFRS 16, the Bank was required to classify each of its leases (as lessee) at the inception an operating lease or finance lease. Refer to Note 2.15 for the accounting policy prior to 1 January 2019.

Upon adoption of IFRS 16, the Bank applied a single recognition and measurement approach for all leases except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. Refer to Note 2.14 for the accounting policy applied on and after 1 January 2019. The standard provides specific transition requirements and practical expedients, which have been applied by the Bank.

Leases previously accounted for as operating leases

The Bank recognised right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for those leases previously classified as operating leases, except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The right-of-use assets for most leases were recognised based on the carrying amount as if the standard had always been applied, apart from the use of incremental borrowing rate at the date of initial application. In some leases, the right-of-use assets were recognised based on the amount equal to the lease liabilities, adjusted for any related prepaid and accrued lease payments previously recognised. Lease liabilities were recognised based on the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the incremental borrowing rate at the date of initial application.

The Bank also applied the available practical expedients wherein it:

- Used a single discount rate to a portfolio of leases with reasonably similar characteristics;
- Relied on its assessment of whether leases are onerous immediately before the date of initial application;
- Applied the short-term leases exemptions to leases with lease term that ends within 12 months of the date of initial application;
- ► Excluded the initial direct costs from the measurement of the right-of-use asset at the date of initial application;
- Used hindsight in determining the lease term where the contract contained options to extend or terminate the lease.

Based on the above, as at 1 January 2019:

- ▶ Right-of-use assets of LAK6,486 million were presented in the statement of financial position as "Right-of-use assets";
- Additional lease liabilities of LAK4,996 million (included in "Other liabilities") were recognised by using discounted cash flow method minus any prepayment amounts;
- ▶ The adoption of IFRS 16 had no impact on the Bank's retained earnings.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 Changes in accounting policies (continued)

2.3.1. Leases (continued)

The lease liabilities as at 1 January 2019 can be reconciled to the operating lease commitments as of 31 December 2018 as follows:

	LAKm
Operating lease commitments as at 31 December 2018 Weighted average incremental borrowing rate as at 1 January 2019 Discounted operating lease commitments at 1 January 2019	6,236 6.50% 4,996
Less: Commitments relating to short-term lease Commitments relating to leases of low-value assets Add: Lease payments relating to renewal periods not included in operating lease commitments as at 31 December 2018	- - -
Lease liabilities as at 1 January 2019	4,996

2.3.2. Provision on loans classified in Special Mention

In 2019, the Bank's presentation of Provision on loans classified in Special Mentions was changed from presented as a performing loan reserve to specific provision which is net off to "Loans to customers" in accordance with the Official Letter No. 334/AFD issued by the Governor of Bank of Lao PDR dated 11 March 2019, the presentation of provision on loans classified as special mention is presented as specific provision which is net off against "Loans to customers" rather than "provision for performing loans" in the Bank's statement of financial position (as disclosed in Note 2.9).

Impact of the changes to current year is as follows:

	Specific provision for special mention loans (Note 13.2) LAKm	General provision for credit activities (Statement of changes in Equity) LAKm
Balance as at 31 December 2018	-	1,065
Reclassification from general provision to specific provision for special mention charge to provision expense during the year 2019	683	(693)
under BOL 334	063	(683)
Balance after the accounting policy changed	683	382

As there is no guidance from the BOL on retrospective application of the new regulations, the Bank has selected not to apply the changes retrospectively.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4. Recognition of interest income and expenses

Interest income and expense are recognized in the income statement on accrual basis using straight-line method and the interest rates stipulated in the lending/depositing contracts with customers.

The recognition of accrued interest income is suspended when the loans becoming non-performing (See *Note 2.9* for the definition of non-performing loans) or when management believes that the borrower has no ability to repay the interest and principal. Interest income on such loans is only recorded in the income statement upon actually received.

2.5. Recognition of fee and commission

Fee and commission consist of fees received for fund transfer (including trade settlement), fee arising for foreign currency exchange transactions.

Fee and commissions are recognized into income statement on cash basis.

2.6. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and highly liquid short-term investments with an original maturity of 30 days or less that are readily convertible to known amount of cash and accounts due from banks with original maturity of 30 days or less.

2.7 Available-for-sale securities

Available-for-sale equity securities are initially recognized at cost at the purchase date and continuously presented at cost in subsequent periods. Periodically, provision for impairment of available-for-sale securities is recorded when their book values are higher than their market value. In case the market values of the securities cannot be determined, no provision is made. Provision for impairment is recognized in the income statement as "Net gain/(loss) from available-for-sale securities".

2.8. Loans to customers

Loans to customers are recognized at cost and presented at outstanding balance less provision for non-performing loans.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.9. Classification of and provision for credit activities

Loan classification

In accordance with Regulation 512/BOL ("BOL512") dated 29 June 2018 and Official Letter No. 898/CBSD ("OL898") dated 14 November 2018, the Bank has classified loans into 5 groups based on the payment arrears status and other qualitative factors. Loans classified as either Normal or Pass (Group A) or Watch or Special Mention (Group B) are considered as Performing loans. Loans classified as either Substandard (Group C) or Doubtful (Group D) or Loss (Group E) are considered as Non-performing loans ("NPLs").

As disclosed in Note 13.2, for certain loans related to certain customers at San Jiang Market, the Bank is allowed to classify them as Special Mention until July 2020.

Provision

In accordance with BOL512 and OL898, the Bank creates provision for loans based on their classification groups as follows:

Group	Provision rate	Provision type (i)	Accounting for provision balance (ii)	Accounting for changes in provision balance (iii)
Perform	ing loans			
Α	0.5%	General	In equity	Other operating expense
В	3.0%	Specific	Deducted to loan balance	Other operating expense
NPLs				
С	20.0%	Specific	Deducted to loan balance	Net provision for NPLs
D	50.0%	Specific	Deducted to loan balance	Net provision for NPLs
E	100.0%	Specific	Deducted to loan balance	Net provision for NPLs

- (i) Provision amount is calculated by the following formulas:
 - a. General provision = Provision rate x Loan outstanding balance
 - b. Specific provision = Provision rate x (Loan outstanding balance discounted value of collateral)
 - where the Bank has opted to include the discounted value of collateral in the provision calculation as allowed by BOL512 and OL898.
- (ii) The balance of provision for *loans classified into Group A* is recorded in the balance sheet in "General provision" under capital and reserves of the Bank.
 - Accumulated balance of provision for *other loans* is recorded in the balance sheet in "Loans to customers, net of specific provision".
- (iii) Net changes in provision for *performing loans* are recorded to the income statement as "Other operating expenses".
 - Net changes in provision for *NPLs* are recorded to the income statement as "Provision for non-performing loans".

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.10. Fixed assets

Fixed asset includes tangible fixed assets and intangible fixed assets. Tangible fixed assets consist of building improvements, office equipment, furniture and fixtures, motor vehicles and IT equipment. Intangible fixed assets include software.

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization, if any.

The cost of an asset comprises its purchase price plus any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to working condition for its intended use.

Expenditures for additions, improvements and renewals are capitalized and expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to the income statement.

When assets are sold or disposed, their cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the balance sheet and any gains or losses resulting from their disposal are posted to the income statement.

2.11. Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation and amortization of fixed assets are provided on the straight line basis at prescribed rates over their estimated useful life in accordance with the Tax Law No.70/NA dated 15 December 2015 which is effective on or after 24 May 2016 stipulated by the President of the National Assembly. The following are the annual rates used.

Tangible fixed assets:

Building & improvement	10%
Office equipment	20%
Furniture & fixtures	20%
Motor vehicles	20%
IT Equipment	20%

Intangible fixed assets:

Software 50%

2.12. Reserves

Under the requirement of the Law on commercial Bank dated 16 January 2007, commercial banks are required to appropriate net profit to following reserves:

- Regulatory reserve fund
- Business expansion fund and other funds

In accordance with Article 156, Enterprise Law dated 26 December 2013, the Bank is required to appropriate 10% of profit after tax each year into regulatory reserve fund. When this reserve fund reaches 50% of the registered capital, the Bank may suspend such provision, unless otherwise provided by the law. The Business expansion fund and other funds shall be created upon decision of the Board of Directors.

The Bank has temporarily made additional statutory reserves at 10% of profit after tax for the year ended 31 December 2019. These amounts reported in the financial statements could change at a later date upon final decision of Board of Directors.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.13. Foreign currency transactions

The Bank maintains its accounting system and records all transactions in original currencies. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at year end are translated into LAK at exchange rates ruling on the balance sheet date. Foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities on the balance sheet date are recognized into "Net gain from foreign currency trading" in the income statement. The list of exchange rates of applicable foreign currencies against LAK on 31 December 2019 as presented below:

	31/12/2019 LAK	31/12/2018 LAK
United State Dollar ("USD")	8,866	8,509
Thai Baht ("THB")	298	265
Chinese Yuan ("CNY")	1,254	1,230
Euro ("EUR")	9,819	9,710
Pound ("GBP")	11,403	10,720
Australia Dollar ("AUD")	6,099	6,014

2.14. Leasing (applicable from 1 January 2019)

2.14.1. Right-of-use assets

At inception of a contract, the Bank assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease arrangement based on whether the contract that conveys to the user (the lessee) the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. If a contract contains more than one lease component, or a combination of leasing and services transactions, the consideration is allocated to each of these lease and non-lease components on conclusion and on each subsequent re-measurement of the contract on the basis of their relative stand-alone selling prices. The Bank combines lease and non-lease components, in cases where splitting the non-lease component is not possible.

The Bank recognises right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (i.e., the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any re-measurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received. The lease term includes periods covered by an option to extend if the Bank is reasonably certain to exercise that option. Unless the Bank is reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the recognised right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment assessment.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.14. Leasing (applicable from 1 January 2019) (continued)

2.14.2. Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of the lease, the Bank recognises lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Bank and payments of penalties for terminating a lease, if the lease term reflects the Bank exercising the option to terminate. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as expense in the period on which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Bank uses the incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the in-substance fixed lease payments or a change in the assessment to purchase the underlying asset.

2.14.3. Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Bank applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to its short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option. It also applies the lease of low-value assets recognition exemption to leases of assets that are considered of low value. Lease payments on short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognised as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

2.14.4. Significant judgement in determining the lease term of contracts with renewal options

The Bank determines the lease term as the non-cancellable term of the lease, together with any periods covered by an option to extend the lease if it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or any periods covered by an option to terminate the lease, if it is reasonably certain not to be exercised.

The Bank applies judgement in evaluating whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the option to renew. That is, it considers all relevant factors that create an economic incentive for it to exercise the renewal. After the commencement date, the Bank reassesses the lease term if there is a significant event or change in circumstances that is within its control and affects its ability to exercise (or not to exercise) the option to renew (e.g., a change in business strategy). The Bank included the renewal period as part of the lease term for leases of premises and IT equipment due to the significance of these assets to its operations.

2.15. Leasing (applicable before 1 January 2019)

The determination of whether an arrangement is a lease, or contains a lease, is based on the substance of the arrangement and requires an assessment of whether the fulfilment of the arrangement is dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets and the arrangement conveys a right to use the asset.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.15. Leasing (applicable before 1 January 2019) (continued)

The Bank as a lessee

Leases, where all the risks and benefits of ownership of the leased items are not transferred substantially to the Bank are operating leases. Operating lease payments are recognized as an expense in the profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Contingent rental payable is recognized as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

2.16. Profit tax

The Bank is obliged to pay profit tax at rate of 24% of total profit before tax in accordance with the new Tax Law No.70/NA dated 15 December 2015 which is effective on or after 24 May 2016. Accordingly, the Bank is subject to the tax rate of 24% for the year ended 31 December 2019 (2018: 24%). The Bank's tax returns are subject to examination by the tax authorities. Because the application of tax laws and regulations in many types of transactions is susceptible to varying interpretations, amounts reported in the financial statements could be changed at a later date upon final determination by the tax authorities.

2.17. Employee benefit

Post-employment benefits

Post-employment benefits are paid to retired employees of the Bank by the Social Security Fund Department which belongs to the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare. The Bank is required to contribute to these post-employment benefits by paying social insurance premium to the Social Insurance Agency at the rate of 6% of employee's basic salary on a monthly basis but shall not exceed LAK 270,000 per staff. The Bank has no further obligation concerning post-employment benefits for its employees other than this.

Termination benefits

In accordance with Article 82 of the Amended Labour Law No. 43/NA approved by the President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic on 28 January 2014, the Bank has the obligation to pay allowance for employees who are terminated by dismissal in the following cases:

- The employee lacks specialised skills or is not in good health and thus cannot continue to work:
- ► The employer considers it necessary to reduce the number of workers in order to improve the work within the labour unit.

For the termination of an employment contract on any of the above-mentioned grounds, the employer must pay a termination allowance which is calculated on the basis of 10% of the last salary or wage multiplied by the total number of months worked. As at 31 December 2019, there are no employees of the Bank who were dismissed under the above-mentioned grounds; therefore the Bank has not made a provision for termination allowance in the financial statements.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

3. NET INTEREST AND SIMILAR INCOME

		2019 LAKm	2018 LAKm
	Interest and similar income from:		
	Interbank transactions	2,316 24,982	2,201 24,665
	Loans to customers		
		27,298	26,866
	Interest and similar expense for:	(290)	(125)
	Customer deposits		
		(290)	(125)
	Net interest and similar income	27,008	26,741
4.	FEES AND COMMISSION INCOME AND EXPENSES		
		2019	2018
		LAKm	LAKm
	Fees and commission income from:		
	Credit activities	699	620
	Other fees and commissions	14	9
		713	629
	Fees and commission expenses for:	(0.0)	(0.0)
	Commission in interbank transactions Other fees and commissions	(99) (206)	(96) (206)
	Other rees and commissions		· · · · · ·
		(305)	(302)
5.	NET GAIN FROM FOREIGN CURRENCY TRADING		
		2019	2018
		<u>LAKm</u>	LAKm
	Gain from foreign currency trading Foreign exchange gain arising from revaluation of monetary accounts denominated in foreign	1	1
	currency	3,176	1,881
		3,177	1,882

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

6. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

		2019	2018
		LAKm	LAKm
	Reversal of provision for performing loans		0.010
	(see Note 13.2)	-	2,810
	Income from custody services Collection from written-off loans	264 2,151	300
	Other operating income	483	2
	Other operating income	2,898	3,112
		2,090	3,112
7.	PAYROLL AND OTHER STAFF COSTS		
		2019	2018
		LAKm	LAKm
	Wages and allowances	5,958	5,184
	Other employee expenses	242	160
		6,200	5,344
8.	OTHER ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES		
		2019	2018
		LAKm	LAKm
	External services	714	919
	Repair and maintenance expenses	478	356
	Publication, marketing and promotion	158	69
	Office rental	298	991
	Telecommunication	157	123
	Training, meeting and seminar Taxes and duties	33 38	24 70
	Consultant fees	232	96
	Other expenses	457	412
		2,565	3,060
9.	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		
		31/12/2019	31/12/2018
		LAKm	LAKm
	Provision charged for special mentioned loans	4,352	-
	Provision charged for current loans	39	-
		4,391	_

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

10. CASH ON HAND

	8,070	6,211
Cash on hand in foreign currencies	5,368	4,907
Cash on hand in LAK	2,702	1,304
	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm

11. BALANCES WITH THE BOL

Registered capital reserve (**)		<u> </u>
Demand deposit Compulsory reserve (*)	17,925 861	25,853 1,036
Demond demonit	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm

Balances with the BOL earn no interest.

- (*) Under regulations of the BOL, the Bank is required to maintain certain cash reserves with the BOL in the form of compulsory deposits, which are computed at 5.00% for LAK and 10.00% for foreign currencies, on a fortnight basis, of customer deposits having original maturities of less than 12 months (2018: 5.00% and 10.00%).
- (**) According to Decree No. 02/PR of BOL, commercial bank are required to maintain a minimum balance of special deposit at BOL which is equivalent to 25% of their paid-up capital to secure for their operational continuance. The Bank was then approved by the BOL to withdraw from this deposit account to supplement its working capital.

12. DUE FROM OTHER BANKS

12.1 Demand deposits

	31/12/2019	31/12/2018
_	LAKm	LAKm
Demand deposits at domestic banks		
Banque Pour le Commerce Exterieur Lao	11,957	9,314
Maruhan Japan Bank Laos	300	5
Indochina Bank	45	596
ACLEDA Bank	501	-
Bank of China, Vientiane Branch	589	-
Demand deposits at foreign banks		
Canadia Bank Plc	4,315	4,141
Thanachart Bank Public Co., Ltd.,	1,142	1,085
	18,849	15,141

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

12. **DUE FROM OTHER BANKS** (continued)

12.2 Term deposits

	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Term deposit at domestic bank		
Banque Pour le Commerce Exterieur Lao	28,950	55,450
Bank of China, Vientiane Branch	2,500	30,000
Maruhan Japan Bank Laos	48,320	7,960
Indochina Bank	3,000	17,018
	82,770	110,428

Term deposits denominated in LAK have terms of 6 to 12 months, and interest from 1.58% to 4.20% p.a. Term deposits denominated in USD have term of 6 months, and interest at 2.00% p.a.

13. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE SECURITIES

	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Available-for-sale securities Equity shares	23,058	
Equity strates	23,058	-

14. LOANS TO CUSTOMERS, NET OF SPECIFIC PROVISION

	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Loans to customers (Note 13.1) Less specific provision (Note 13.2) In which:	211,571 (14,191)	197,236 (218)
Specific provision for non-performing loans Specific provision for special mention loans (*)	(13,581) (610)	(218) -
	197,380	197,018

^(*) The specific provision are reclassified from provision for performing loans presented in capital and reserves under BOL 334.

Interest rates of loans to customers during the years are as follows:

	2019	2018
	Interest rates	Interest rates
	% per annum	% per annum
Loans denominated in USD	7.56% - 15.00%	7.56% - 15.00%
Loans denominated in LAK	5.50% - 15.00%	7.56% - 15.00%

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

14. LOANS TO CUSTOMERS, NET OF SPECIFIC PROVISION (continued)

14.1 Analysis of loans to customers

Analysis by currency

	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Loans denominated in USD Loans denominated in LAK	63,910 147,661	58,646 138,590
	211,571	197,236
Analysis by status of loans		
	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Performing loans	196,110	196,273
Non-performing loans ("NPLs")	15,461 211,571	963 197,236
Analysis by original term		_
	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Short-term loans	3,403	4,139
Medium-term loans Long-term loans	156,827 51,341	152,319 40,778
	211,571	197,236

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

14. LOANS TO CUSTOMERS, NET OF SPECIFIC PROVISION (continued)

14.2 Provision for credit losses

Movements of provision for credit losses of the Bank for the year ended 31 December 2019 are as follows:

	Specifi	c provision		
	for NPLs LAKm	for special mentioned loans LAKm	General provision LAKm	Total LAKm
Balance as at 31/12/2018 Net provision charged to	218	-	1,065	1,283
expense in the year In which:	9,135	4,352	39	13,526
Additional provision	12,560	4,352	4,878	21,790
Reversal of provision	(3,425)	-	(4,839)	(8,264)
Write-offs	(205)	-	-	(205)
Reclassify to provision for special mentioned loans under				
BOL 334	-	683	(683)	-
Foreign exchange difference		8	4	12
Balance as at 31/12/2019	9,148	5,043	425	14,616

The breakdown of loan classification and provision as required by the BOL as at 31 December 2019 is as follows:

Classification	Loan balance LAKm	Specific provision LAKm	General proviison LAKm
Current	87,900	-	425
Special Mention (*)	108,210	610	-
Substandard	1,840	368	-
Loss	13,621	13,213	-
Total	211,571	14,191	425

^(*) Included in total Special Mention loans as at 31 December 2019 are loans amounted to LAKm 108,638 related to customers at San Jiang Market, who were affected by the fire incident. The Bank is allowed to classify these loan as Special Mention until July 2020 in accordance with Official Letter No. 439/CBSD dated 9 July 2019 issued by the Banking Supervision Department of BOL.

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

15. PROPERTY, EQUIPEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

15.1 Tangible fixed assets

Movements of tangible fixed assets for the year 2019 are as follows:

Cost:	Building & improvement of LAKm	Office equipment LAKm	Furniture & fixtures LAKm	Motor vehicles LAKm	IT Equipment LAKm	Total LAKm
As at 31/12/2018 Additions Other decrease	4,150 - (2,463)	1,091 183 (9)	506 168	1,387 - -	1,726 252 (50)	8,860 603 (2,552)
As at 31/12/2019	1,687	1,265	674	1,387	1,928	6,943
Accumulated deprecia	ation:					
As at 31/12/2018 Charge for the year Other decrease	2,860 371 (3,097)	667 236 (4)	304 124 -	821 276 -	844 371 (16)	5,496 1,377 (3,116)
As at 31/12/2019	134	899	428	1,097	1,199	3,757
Net book value:						
As at 31/12/2018	1,290	424	202	566	882	3,364
As at 31/12/2019	1,553	366	246	290	729	3,186

15.2 Right of used assets

Movements of the balance of right of used assets for the year 2019 are as follows:

	Building LAKm
Cost: As at 31/12/2018 New recognition	- 6,486
As at 31/12/2019	6,486
Accumulated amortization:	
As at 31/12/2018 Charge for the year	1,174
As at 31/12/2019	1,174
Net book value:	
As at 31/12/2018	
As at 31/12/2019	5,312

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

16. ACCRUED INTEREST RECEIVABLE

	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Accrued interest receivable from: Loans to customers Term deposits	36,975 668	22,846 1,076
	37,643	23,922
17. OTHER ASSETS		
	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Prepaid expenses Others	638 30	1,662 22
	668	1,684
18. DUE TO OTHER BANKS		
	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Demand deposit from: - Canadia Bank Plc - Other financial institutions	51,797 2	44,291 9
	51,799	44,300
19. DUE TO CUSTOMERS		
	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Demand deposits Demand deposits in LAK Demand deposits in FC	501 38 463	2,517 2,299 218
Saving deposits Saving deposits in LAK Saving deposits in FC	3,407 1,897 1,510	8,929 1,731 7,198
Fixed term deposits Fixed term deposits in LAK Fixed term deposits in FC	6,188 1,512 4,676	3,289 938 2,351
·	10,096	14,735

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

19. AMOUNTS DUE TO CUSTOMERS (continued)

The interest rates for these deposits are as follows:

		2019 % per annum	2018 % per annum
	Demand deposits Saving deposits in LAK Saving deposits in USD Saving deposits in THB Term deposits in LAK Term deposits in USD Term deposits in THB	0.00% 1.89% 1.00% 1.00% 3.16% - 6.71% 2.25% - 5.25% 5.00%	0.00% 1.89% 1.00% 1.00% 3.95% - 6.84% 2.25% - 5.00% 5.00%
20.	OTHER PAYABLES		
		31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
	Lease liabilities Bonus and pension Other liabilities	5,322 950 346	900 244
		6,618	1,144
21.	TAXATION		
21.1	Taxes receivable/payable		
		31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
	Profit tax receivable/(payable)	3,110	(813)
		3,110	(813)

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

21. TAXATION

21.2 **Profit Tax** ("PT")

The Bank is obliged to pay profit tax at rate of 24% on total profit before tax of the period in accordance with Tax Law No.70/NA dated 15 December 2015 which is effective on or after 24 May 2016.

	2019	2018
	LAKm	LAKm
Profit before tax	8,649	16,277
Non-taxable income	(3,176)	(1,881)
Non-deductible expense	329	23
Taxable income	5,802	14,419
Current PT expense, at the statutory rate of		
24%	1,392	3,466
PT payable at the beginning of year	813	1,596
PT paid during the year	(5,315)	(4,249)
PT (receivable)/payable at the end of year	(3,110)	813

The Bank's tax returns are subject to examination by the tax authorities. Because the application of tax laws and regulations in many types of transactions is susceptible to varying interpretations, amounts reported in the financial statements could be changed at a later date up on final determination by the tax authorities.

21.3 Contingent liabilities

On 6 November 2019, the Ministry of Finance issued Notification No. 4475/MOF requesting commercial banks to recalculate profit tax for the years from 2016 to 2019 in which provision for credit losses should be considered as non-deductible expenses. The Bank has submitted Official Letter No. 284 dated 03 December 2019 to the Ministry of Finance to seek for further clarification and detailed guidance on the implementation of such Notification. Until the date of the financial statements, the Bank has not yet received the responses from the Ministry of Finance and the impact of this issue (if any) has not been yet defined. Therefore, the Bank has not booked any adjustments on the financial statements for the fiscal year 2019.

22. PAID-UP CAPITAL

The movement of paid up capital during the years is presented below:

Closing balance	300,000	300,000
Opening balance Changed during the year	300,000	300,000
	2019 LAKm	2018 LAKm

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

23. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	31/12/2019 LAKm	31/12/2018 LAKm
Cash on hand Current accounts with the BOL Current accounts with other banks	8,070 17,925 18,849	6,211 25,853 15,141
	44,844	47,205

24. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related party transactions include all transactions undertaken with other parties to which the Bank is related. A party is related to the Bank if:

- (a) directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, the party:
 - controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Bank (this includes parents, subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries);
 - ▶ has an interest in the Bank that gives it significant influence over the Bank; or
 - has joint control over the Bank.
- (b) the party is a joint venture in which the Bank is a venture;
- (c) the party is a member of the key management personnel of the Bank or its parent;
- (d) the party is a close member of the family of any individual referred to in (a) or (c);
- (e) the party is an entity that is controlled, jointly controlled or significantly influenced by, or for which significant voting power in such entity resides with, directly or indirectly, any individual referred to in (c) or (d); or
- (f) the party is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of the Bank, or of any entity that is a related party of the Bank.

Significant transactions with related parties during the year 2019 are as follows:

Related party	Relationship	Transactions	2019 LAKm	2018 LAKm
Canadia Bank Plc	Owner	Net decrease/(increase) in demand deposits from the parent bank Net increase in demand	7,506	4,239
		deposits at the parent bank Advances	174	115
		made/(returned)	-	(12,864)

Balances with related parties as at 31 December 2019 are as follows:

Related party	Relationship	Transactions	31/12/2019 Receivable/ (payable) LAKm	31/12/2018 Receivable/ (payable) LAKm
Canadia Bank Plc	Owner	Demand deposits from the parent bank Demand deposits at the	(51,797)	(44,291)
		parent bank	4,315	4,141

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) as at and for the year then ended 31 December 2019

24. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

Transactions with key management personnel of the Bank

Remuneration to members of the Management is as follows:

	2019	2018			
	LAKm	LAKm			
Salaries	1,025	804			
Bonus	225	250			
	1,250	1,054			
Remuneration to members of the Board of Directors is as follows:					
	2019	2018			
	LAKm	LAKm			
Allowances for Board of Directors	228	268			
	228	268			

25. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

There is no matter or circumstance that has arisen since the reporting date that requires adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements of the Bank.

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