# NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### **AYS Ventures Berhad**

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#### **Questions & Answer Submission**

- Due to the on-going pandemic, we advise to submit questions via electronic means. Please scan the QR code below, or on your tables to submit your questions.
- Thank you for your understanding.



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#### **Company Overview**

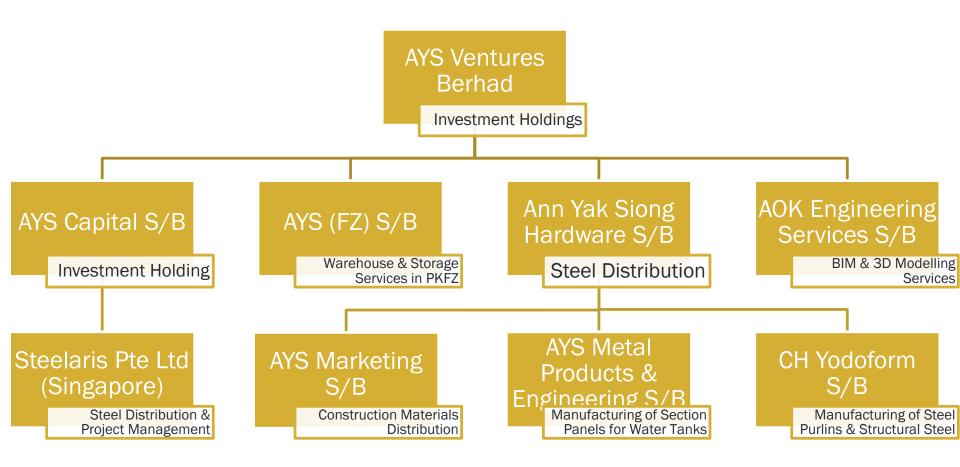
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#### **Company Overview**

- Founded 1982 as a trader, stockist and distributor of steel and construction materials.
- Listed on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia since 9 May 2012.
- Identifies as one of the market leaders in distribution business of steel related products and building materials.
- Operation in 3 divisions:-

Trading & Services	Manufacturing	Other Services
<ul> <li>Trading &amp; distributing of steel products &amp; construction materials</li> <li>Full range of structural steel products with strong market share</li> <li>Warehousing and storage services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>C &amp; Z Purlins</li> <li>Steel service center for precision cut &amp; drill, shot blasting &amp; primer coating.</li> </ul>	- BIM & 3D Modelling of steel structure using TEKLA software

#### **Group Structure**



#### One Stop Steel Solutions Provider

All steel construction needs under one roof, cost and time efficient.

Manufacturing, Supply & Distribution of Steel & Construction Materials

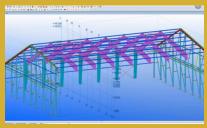
- Full range stockholding on Structural Steel
- Manufacturing of Steel Purlins
- Strong networks of suppliers & customers





#### Value Added Services

- Dedicated 3D BIM office
- Steel Service Centre
- Project management
- Steel storage
- Testing and verification







#### Delivery to Site

- Global distribution point in PKFZ
- Transport and logistic services





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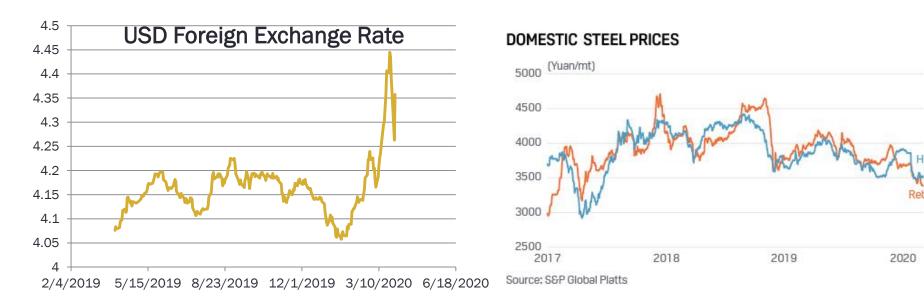
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## It has been a challenging year for the steel industry.

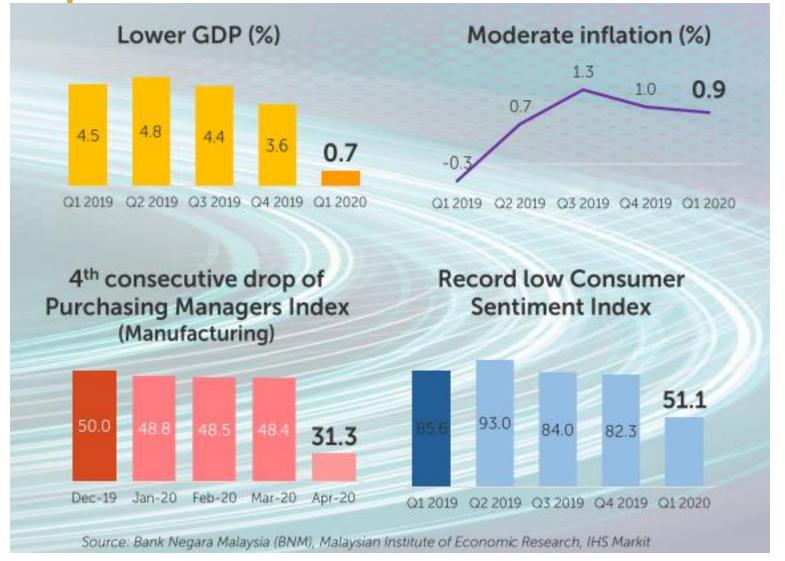
- Steel industry faces challenges, as contributed by the escalating US-China trade war, overcapacity of steel mills, impacting steel prices.
- Political instability causes major infrastructure projects to halt.
- Competition is high and demands are lowered margins are pressured
- High foreign currency exchange rate fluctuation causes high importation cost
- Sharp slowdown in economic activities since March due to Covid-19, MCO and RMCO

## Macroeconomic weakness has brought heavy fluctuations in steel price and forex

- Difference between high and low point of USD-MYR as high as 9.5%.
- High forex implies high cost of import.
- Asian mills have lowered steel prices to push export sales due to overcapacity & Covid-19
- Decrease in steel prices implies lowered revenue and margins despite higher sales volume.



## Covid-19 forced global economy into a sharp decline



### AYS's swift and decisive actions towards Covid-19

- Strong digital infrastructure and IT team, work from home was set up quickly and smoothly.
- Ensuring customer's needs are satisfied, PKFZ warehouse operations remains open, export activities not affected.
- Steelaris obtained greenlight to operate since beginning of Circuit Breaker.
- Quick to apply and obtain operating greenlight from MITI to resume operations.
- Safeguarding our employees, customers and business partners by strict implementation of SOP's throughout all business premise

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#### Significant Events in FYE2020

- Record breaking revenue of RM768.2 mil
- First year loss since listing at RM9.123 mil
- Acquisition of Singapore based Steel Distributor & Project Management company, Steelaris Pte Ltd
- Winding up of Wire Producing Business AYS Wire Products
   S/B
- Global Pandemic Coronavirus, Movement Control Order & Circuit Breaker

#### **Key Financial Highlights**

FYE 31 <sup>st</sup> March (RM '000)	2019	2020	% Change
Revenue	599,347	768,212	+28%
EBITDA	32,500	8,447	-74%
Profit/(Loss) Before Tax	21,127	(7,781)	-137%
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	15,746	(9,123)	-158%
Total Assets	655,375	762,940	+16%
Total Borrowings	312,815	355,378	+14%
EPS (sen)	4.14	(2.77)	-167%
NAPS (RM)	0.72	0.68	-6%

Recorded Loss Before Tax due to downward price trend despite increased sales volume.

Incorporation of new subsidiary Steelaris brought up total assets and revenue.

#### **Derivation of PBT**

FYE 31 <sup>st</sup> March (RM '000)	2019	2020	% Change
Revenue	599,347	768,212	+28%
COGS	(527,447)	(706,448)	+34%
GP	70,900	61,764	-13%
GP Margin	12%	8%	
Other Income	3,149	2,487	-21%
OPEX	(41,549)	(56,284)	+35%
Finance income	1,099	920	-16%
Finance cost	(12,472)	(16,667)	+34%
(Loss)/Profit Before Tax	21,127	(7,781)	-137%
L/PBT Margin	4%	-1%	

Opex of 35% increase includes incorporation of expenses from new subsidiary Steelaris and increased selling and distribution expenses reflecting higher sales volume.

#### Non-Cash Expense Analysis

- Depreciation of PPE RM4.182 mil
- Depreciation of Right-of-use assets RM1.983 mil
- Impairment loss on PPE RM130k
- PPE written off RM166k
- Inventories written down RM180k
- Provision for Doubtful Debts of RM1.901 mil
- Fair value loss on investment properties RM928k

#### Divisional & Geographical Results

Revenue, RM'000	FYE 2019	FYE 2020	% Change
Trading & Services	535,228 (89%)	738,743 (96%)	+38%
Manufacturing	64,119 (11%)	29,469 (4%)	-54%
Total	599,347	768,212	+28%

Decrease in manufacturing revenue was mainly due to cessation of wire business & lowered sales volume in manufactured products.

Increased trading & services revenue mainly due to incorporation of Steelaris:

Revenue, RM'000	FYE 2019	FYE 2020	% Change
AYS	599,347	586,739 (76%)	-2%
Steelaris	-	181,473 (24%)	
Total	599,347	768,212	+28%

Revenue, RM'000	FYE 2019	FYE 2020	% Change
Malaysia	540,810 (90%)	500,997 (65%)	-7%
Singapore	51,152 (9%)	227,769 (30%)	345%
Other Countries	7,385 (1%)	39,446 (5%)	434%
Total	599,347	768,212	28%

## The results justifies the Group's Corporate Development exercises.

- Part of the Group's business strategy to enter the regional market.
- Singapore is an important distribution point in the global supply chain. With the proximity advantage and operational synergies, the acquisition of Steelaris will strengthen AYS's position as a steel distributor and service provider and reinforce AYS's footprint in APAC region.
- The Group saw an increase in its customer base, export businesses and also the demand for value added services.
   Export sales stands at 35% of total revenue during FY2020.
- Steelaris has contributed RM181.473 mil in revenue and RM2.863 mil in profits from date of acquisition

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#### What have we been doing?

- Due to the macroeconomic weakness, business environment and assault from Covid-19, the Group has suffered it's first year loss since listing.
- To strengthen the Group's liquidity, cost cutting measures has been put in place.
- Warehouse rationalization program on-going, focusing on increasing overall efficiency of the supply chain.
- Restructuring of business models to focus on core businesses.
- Pushing the "One-Stop Solutions Provider" initiative to the broader market.

#### Adapting to the new normal

- Post Covid-19 is changing business landscape.
- Digitalization, technology and data is important.
- Cultivating a great workplace and a digitally enabled workforce.
- Building supply chain resilience and agility.
- Maintaining cash flow adequacy
- Enhancing on our risk management framework.
- Relooking into a comprehensive review of corporate planning to formulate new business cost models and strategies.
- Actively monitoring changes in business environment and ensuring infrastructure is strong to adapt to any changes.

#### **Future Prospects**

- Expected to be challenging for many industries and sectors.
- Malaysia Q2 GDP has contracted 17.1%
- Covid-19 still causing uncertainty, steel price and forex will be volatile as there is still possibility for second wave.
- Many projects are resuming as we enter RMCO, however political instability suggests new projects will slowdown & more uncertainty.
- Regional countries have support measures to sustain the economy, with efforts to build and improve infrastructures.

#### Road to Recovery

- Our long term strategic intent remains intact.
- Continue the commitment of strengthening our regional footprint and increase market share.
- Focus on broadening our product range and value-added services to provide customers with total solution.
- We are ready to capture new opportunities with our now strengthened foundation and infrastructure.

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# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

2021 will be a challenging year for the Group, but we are confident that we will be able to rise up to the challenge and reemerge stronger.