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## Strategic Roadmap

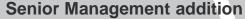
## Drive value for shareholders via acquisition, 新創建NW non-core disposals and sustainable & progressive dividend

## Disposals of non-core assets

• BCIA

- Tianjin Orient Container Terminals
- Hip Seng Group
- Tianjin Five Continents Int'l Container Terminal
- New World First Ferry
- NWS Transport Services Ltd

 SUEZ NWS +Derun (announced in Jan 2021)



- Strengthen management team with the appointment of new executive members
- More capital market focused in-line with shareholders

Business portfolio revamp for growth - New business / asset

- FTLife Insurance
- Roads Suiyuenan Expy, Sui-Yue Expy & Changliu Expy

Re-defining Core Business & Strategic Portfolio Sustainable & Progressive Dividend Policy

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 2018
 2019
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 2021

Rejuvenated & agile management to create & unlock value for shareholders

## **Business portfolio revamp**

Stronger & improved business fundamentals

## 2018

**NWS** 

**Transformation** 

2018 - 2021

**NWS** business

conservative and capital deployment

focus is unclear

optimization sets a

clear focus for our

stakeholders

• Prior to 2018,

strategy is

Portfolio

#### Infrastructure



Roads



Aviation







Environment

Logistics

## **Services**







Construction

**Transport** 

**Facilities Management** 

### 2021

#### **Core Business**









Roads

Aviation

Construction

Insurance

## **Strategic Portfolio**





Logistics

**Facilities Management** 

## **Key changes in the past 3 years**

- Sustainable & Progressive dividend policy
  - 2018 50% payout v 2021 progressive DPS
- Maintained a healthy balance sheet with a manageable gearing
  - Gearing: 2021-1H 26%
- Disposed business with limited growth at premium valuation
  - NWST, NWFF FY2019PE: c. 359x / 15x
  - SUEZ NWS & Derun FY2020PE: c. 18x / 16x
- Acquire business with growth prospect & strong recurring cash flow
  - **FTLife Insurance**
  - Roads Suiyuenan Expy, Sui-Yue Expy & Changliu Expy

Delivered HK\$1.91 / share of dividend to shareholders since CY2018

Recuperate over HK\$16Bn

**Cumulative AOP contribution** over HK\$1.5Bn



## Portfolio optimization further strengthened NWS



NWS Transformation 2018 - 2021

## **fundamentals**

## **Newly acquired** business



3 Roads in Central China



**FTLife Insurance** 

FY2018-2H to FY2021-1H **Accumulated AOP** 

> HK\$1.5Bn

## **Disposed business**



**Transport** 

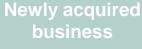
FY2018-2H to FY2021-1H **Accumulated AOP** 

-HK\$97.4MM



**SUEZ NWS+Derun** (Excluded FV G/L) **Declining AOP** contribution

## **Robust & resilient** earnings contribution





FY2021-1H AOP >HK\$500MM

## **Dynamic** balance sheet

**Value** crystalisation

Since FY2018-2H > HK\$16Bn

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## Future growth plan focusing on Roads, **Modern Logistics, Insurance**



## **Core Business**





**NWS** 

**Transformation** 

in the next

3 years











Roads

Aviation

Construction

Insurance

Logistics

**Facilities** Management

## **Growth strategy**

### Roads



Partnership with SOE & major PRC investor China in regional clusters

## **Modern Logistics**



Warehouse / Cold chain / Technology & VAS China (with GBA focus) & SEA

### Insurance



Insurance related China (with GBA focus)

## **Disposals**



Non-core disposals

Continue monitor opportunities to unlock value for growth capital

## Key investment selection criteria

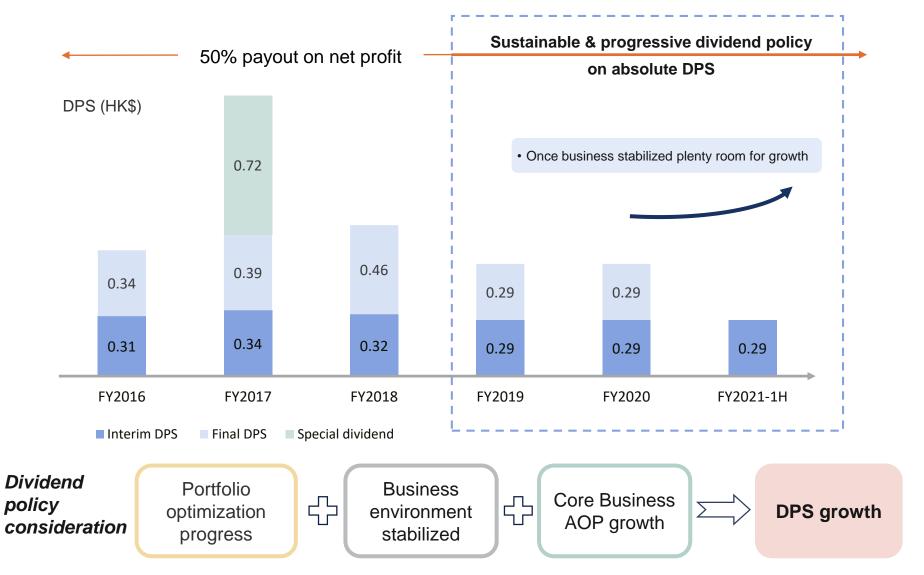
- Strong growth prospect / attractive risk adjusted returns
- Solid recurring cash flow / income
- Target at least high single digit returns on capital deployed

## Dividend Policy

## Sustainable & progressive dividend policy supported by strong balance sheet



## Over 17 consecutive years of dividend & counting



## Financial Policy

## Prudent financial policy underpinning for growth & external shocks



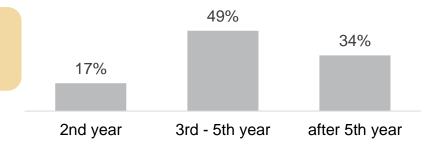
Well-managed maturity profile allowing financial flexibility for operations, potential investments & growth plans

Debt maturity profile<sup>(1)</sup> (as of 31 Dec 2020)

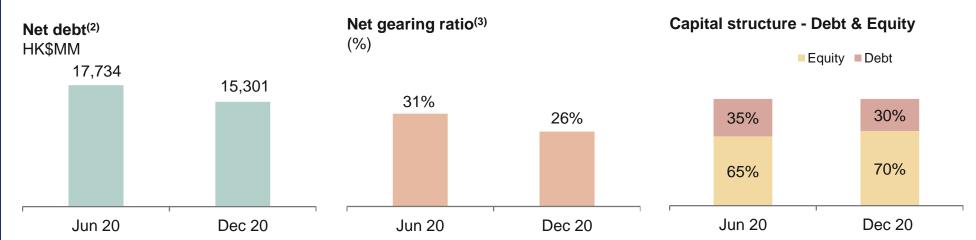
Ample cash on hand HK\$11.0Bn



Unutilized committed banking facilities c.HK\$18.2Bn



## Current leverage as of 31 Dec 2020



#### Note:

- 1. Non-current portion
- 2. Net debt defined as total debt less cash & bank balances & short-term deposits
- 3. Net gearing ratio defined as net debt divided by total equity



## Business at a Glance





#### **ROADS**

15 toll roads in the PRC (total length of c.740 km)



#### **AVIATION**

 Goshawk Aviation Limited provides commercial aircraft leasing & management services



#### **CONSTRUCTION**

- Hip Hing Group provides professional construction services in HK
- > Investment in Wai Kee



#### **INSURANCE**

FTLife Insurance Company Ltd





#### **LOGISTICS**

- > ATL Logistics Centre in HK
- Pivotal rail container terminal network across the PRC through China United Int'l Rail Containers ("CUIRC")
- Port in Xiamen



### **FACILITIES MANAGEMENT**

- Operation & management of HK Convention & Exhibition Centre
- Gleneagles Hospital HK
- Free Duty shops in HK



### **ENVIRONMENT**

- 126 projects in 51 cities across Greater China mainly through SUEZ NWS & Derun Environment
- ForVEI II S.r.l. & remaining environment projects are reclassified into strategic investments

Discontinued operations



## NWS Post COVID-19 Recovery

 NWS is well positioned for a strong rebound once PRC border reopens and COVID-19 impact fades further

## Strong rebound with potentials yet to be fully reflected

## Strong AOP contribution with robust rebound



#### Roads

 Strong traffic recovery and AOP growth since toll fee resumption

## Short term catalyst (PRC border reopens)



#### Insurance

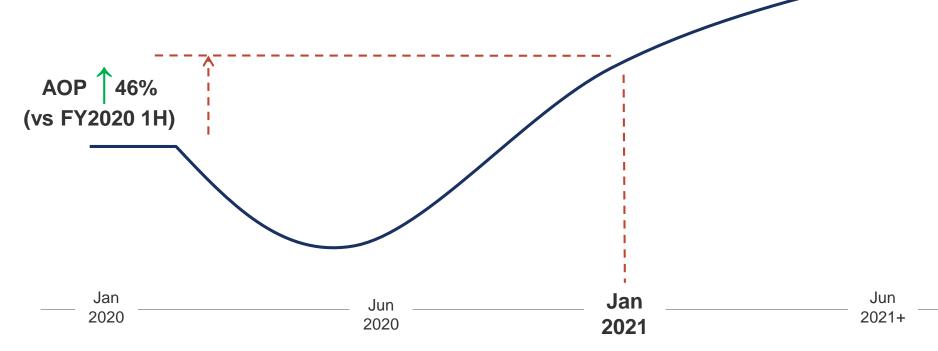
✓ Well positioned for a strong rebound upon PRC border reopening

## Mid - Long term growth (COVID-19 impact fades further)



## **Aircraft Leasing**

- ✓ Airline operator stabilize with various support from Govt & financial market
- ✓ Travel to resume with air travel bubbles & global vaccine rollout



## **Financial highlights**

For the six months ended 31 Dec	2019 (HK\$MM)	2020 (HK\$MM)	YoY change %
Revenue <sup>(1)</sup>	11,283.6	14,232.5	26
Attributable Operating Profit (AOP) <sup>(2)</sup>	2,289.9	3,336.3	46
Core Business	2,048.1	2,322.2	13
Strategic Portfolio	241.8	1,014.1	319
Non-operating gains/(losses) <sup>(3)</sup>	(152.9)	(1,969.4)	
Profit for the period <sup>(4)</sup>	1,804.2	903.3	(50)
Profit attributable to			
Shareholders of the Company	1,513.8	611.8	(60)
Holders of perpetual capital securities	290.4	291.5	
Basic Earnings per share (HK\$)	0.39	0.16	(59)
Dividend per share (HK\$) - Interim	0.29	0.29	
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>(5)</sup>	3,150.6	3,038.8	

Revenue - full period contribution of FTLife

- Rapid recovery with 13% yoy growth
- Roads & full period contribution of FTLife
- Strong AOP recovery
- Upward revaluation with market recovery

Non-operating losses mainly include:-

- (i) reclassification of an investment to an asset held-for-sale and the resultant remeasurement loss HK\$1,330M
- (ii) share of assets impairment, provision for expected credit loss and aircraft repossession/recovery costs for Goshawk HK\$415.9M
- (iii) remeasurement loss associated with the disposal of SUEZ NWS and Derun Environment HK\$127.7M

#### Notes:

- 1. Excluding revenue from discontinued operations
- 2. Attributable operating profit ("AOP") is defined as profit available for appropriation before corporate office & non-operating items
- 3.Including loss on fair value of investment properties HK\$14M, remeasurement, impairments and provisions HK\$1.9Bn & net loss on disposal of projects (net of tax) HK\$51M
- 4. Profit for the period after tax after non-controlling interest
- 5.Adjusted EBITDA is calculated as gross profit minus general & administrative expenses, & selling & marketing expenses plus depreciation/amortization, dividends received from associated companies & joint ventures & interest income from financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

## **Performance by segment**

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	For the six months ended 31 Dec	2019 (HK\$MM)	2020 (HK\$MM)	YoY change %	
SS	Roads	949.6	1,061.0	12	Rapid traffic recovery after resumption of toll fee collection. Excluding RMB
Business	Aviation	267.9	271.7	1	appreciation, AOP +8%.
Bus	Construction	670.2	527.1	(21)	Less gross profit recognition in FY2021-1H
Core	Insurance	160.4	462.4	188	Full period contribution from FTLife
ပိ	Subtotal	2,048.1	2,322.2	13	
	Continuing Operations				GHK AOL narrowed
<u>0</u>	Logistics	339.1	336.3	(1)	<ul><li>AOL from HKCEC</li><li>Free Duty business still affected by</li></ul>
Portfolio	Facilities Management	(364.4)	(323.3)	11 '	COVID-19
	Strategic Investments	49.0	751.9	1,434	Strong AOP recovery from our
gic	Discontinued Operations				<ul><li>investees</li><li>Upward revaluation with market</li></ul>
Strategic	Environment	247.2	244.3	(1)	recovery
St	Transport	(29.1)	4.9	117	
	Subtotal	241.8	1,014.1	319	
	Grand Total	2,289.9	3,336.3	46	
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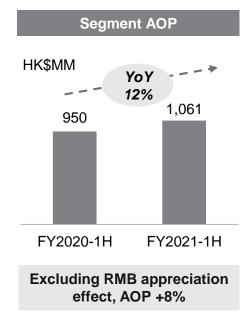
15 toll roads in PRC (c. 740km)

Traffic recovered strongly after resumption of toll fee collection in May 2020

## Swift recovery with positive outlook

新創建 NWS

- ► Overall portfolio traffic volume +9% yoy
  - 4 anchor expressways (c. 80% of Roads AOP) traffic volume +4% yoy
- Overall portfolio toll income +8% yoy
- Compensation measures for toll fee exemption in further discussion with the PRC Govt



#### **Outlook**

- Continue to look for new investment opportunities, including distressed opportunities and opportunities with good growth prospect in areas such as Central China and GBA
- Partnering with major PRC investors such as insurance companies and SOEs

#### Notes:

1. 4 anchor expys: Hangzhou Ring Road (100%), Tangjin Expy (TJ North Section) (60%), Guangzhou City Northern Ring Road (65.29%), Beijing-Zhuhai Expy (GZ-ZH Section) (25%)



Goshawk
Aircraft leasing & management

Strong financial footing & relatively lower risk profile to navigate through the storm

- US\$1.5Bn cash and undrawn banking facilities
- ➤ Young & liquid aircraft portfolio with diversified customer base

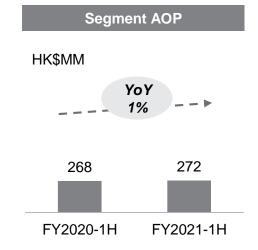
## **Showing signs of stabilization**

- Industry stabilizing attributable to gradual resumption of domestic flights, creation of air travel bubbles and various support from Govt & financial market
- No. of requests for new lease rental deferrals has been decreasing & a number of rental deferrals were fully repaid
- Average collection rate from airline customers: stabled at 76% (sequentially improved from 68% in 2Q 2020 to 82% in 4Q 2020)
- ▶ Owned aircraft utilization rate in FY2021-1H: 99%

## Aircraft leasing portfolio

Fleet size <sup>(1)</sup>	224 aircraft (incl. 40 direct orders)
Combined appraised value	c. US\$10.1Bn
Narrowbody aircraft	c. 79%
Diversified customer base <sup>(2)</sup>	61 airlines over 34 countries
Age <sup>(2)</sup>	Avg 5.0 years
Long remaining lease terms <sup>(2)</sup>	Avg 5.9 years





Stable AOP despite upheaval in the industry triggered by COVID-19

Impairments, expected credit loss and aircraft repossession/recovery costs c.HK\$415.9MM

#### Outlook

- · Vaccination campaigns around the globe are set to enhance confidence in international travel
- Remain cautious and prepare for the recovery

#### Note:

- (1) Incl. owned, managed & committed
- (2) Based on 162 aircraft on book as at 31 Dec 2020



- ▶ Hip Hing Group
- ► Inv in Wai Kee (c. 23%)

Near term pipeline interruption affected contracts on hand & backlog

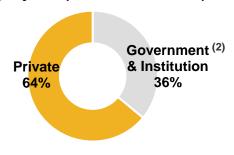
- ► Contracts on hand HK\$45Bn -15% yoy
- ► Backlog HK\$30Bn -22% yoy

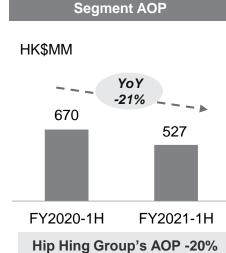
## Reputable contractor poised for long term growth



- New contract awarded during FY2021-1H: HK\$1Bn<sup>(1)</sup>
- Some delay in tenders coming to the market due to COVID-19
- Maintained a balanced source of projects

Types of projects (as at 31 Dec 2020)





Hip Hing Group's AOP -20% to HK\$401.7M due to less gross profit recognition vs FY2020-1H

#### **Outlook**

- Remain positive over the mid to long term supported by strong demand from both the govt & the private sectors and Hip Hing's first-rate track record and technical expertise
- Adoption of new construction technology helps mitigate some margin pressure

#### Notes:

- 1. Incl. design & construction of temporary quarantine facilities at Penny's Bay, Lantau Island & foundation works for Public Housing Development at Sheung Shui etc.
- 2. Incl. Kai Tak Sports Park



**FTLife Insurance** 

Well positioned for strong rebound with border opening

► Market Rank #13 by APE as at 30 Sep 2020

## Consistent performance with potential yet to be



fully realized

 Solid execution capability, agile business strategy & deliberate shift of focus by management drives outperformance of HK business vs industry as reflected in Q3 2020 APE

Q3 2020	FTLife	Industry
APE	-11%	-29%
APE (HK business)	+52%	+6%

► Launch of innovative product portfolio<sup>(1)</sup> spurred APE of HK business by 49% in FY2021-1H

## **Segment AOP** HK\$MM YoY 188% 462 160 FY2020-1H FY2021-1H Full period contribution in FY2021-1H vs. 2-month contribution in FY2020-1H Fitch affirmed Insurance Financial Strength rating at Awith stable outlook

## FY2021-1H Key figures

HK\$236MM VONB<sup>(4)</sup> 25% VONB Margin

HK\$932MM

(-13% yoy)

APE (3)

HK\$75.6Bn<sup>(2,5)</sup> Total Asset Value HK\$19.7Bn<sup>(2,5)</sup> Net Asset Value

553%(2) Solvency Ratio (mini. requirement 150%) HK\$4,935MM Gross Written Premium

HK\$20Bn<sup>(2)</sup> (+16% yoy) Embedded Value 3,000+ Tied Agents 270+ Brokers

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Fitch Ratings

**A3** 

Moody's

#### Outlook

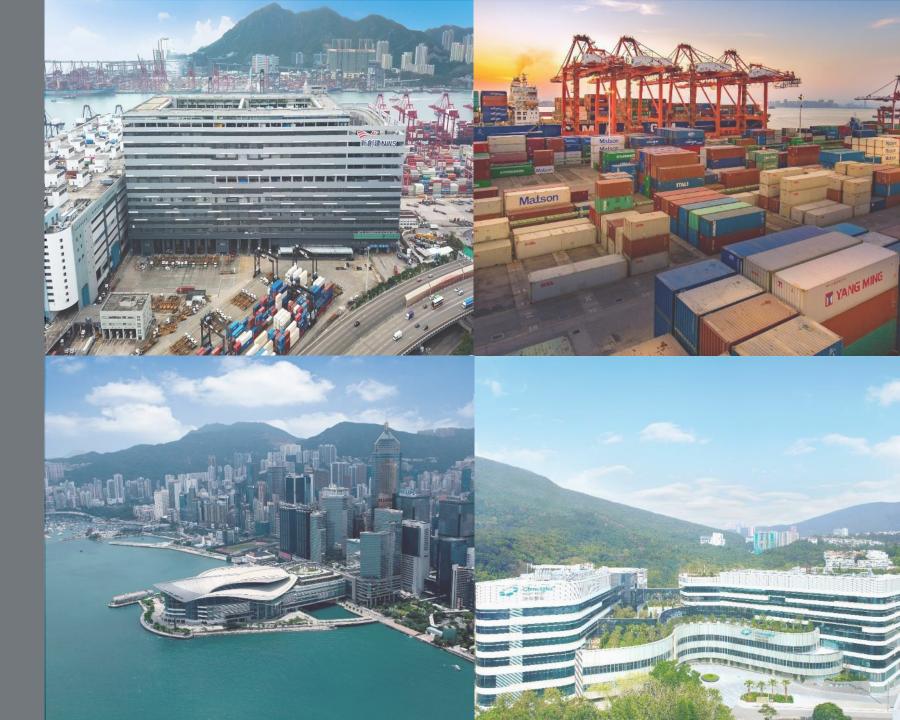
- Raising awareness on healthcare & insurance protection present further growth opportunities
- Continue to strengthen agency force and distribution channel, create more innovative products, develop insurtech and collaborate with NW Group to add growth impetus

#### Notes:

- 1. "Be With You" Personal Accident Plan, "On Your Mind" Insurance Plan with Reverse Mortgage Function and "HealthCare 168 Plus" Critical Illness Protector
- 2. As at 31 Dec 2020
- 3. Annual Premium Equivalent (APE)
- 4. Value of New Business (VONB)
- 5. Excl. goodwill arising from business combination



## Strategic Portfolio



## Strategic Portfolio



## Unique asset with resilient business

- ▶ ATL
  - Avg. occupancy rate: 99.8%
  - Avg. rental: +1%
- **▶** CUIRC
  - Throughput2.5MM TEUs+30% yoy

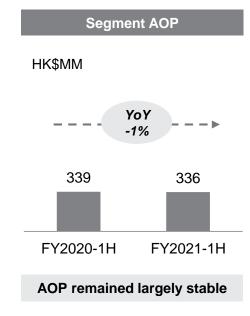
## **Solid performance**



- ► ATL Logistics Centre (ATL) (Contributed c.70% of Logistics AOP)
  - Leader in the segment in HK with strong competitive edge
  - Almost fully occupied with stable average rent growth

### CUIRC

- Remarkable throughput growth at 30% and AOP growth at 41%
- New Guangzhou terminal is under construction and is expected to commence operation in 2021
- Xiamen Container Terminal Group (XCTG)
  - Recovered strongly from the negative impact from COVID-19
  - Throughput 4.8MM TEUs (+10% yoy)
  - AOP -8% yoy due to change in mix of cargo with more transshipments



### Outlook

- · Business is expected to remain strong
- Seeking opportunities to further invest in modern logistics to capitalize on the rapid demand in logistics under the new economy

## Strategic Portfolio



## Continuous efforts to improve the business performance

- Cost-saving initiatives measures to mitigate losses
- Continue strong ramp up & operational expansion in GHK

## Improved performance despite tough environment



**Segment AOP** 

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HK\$MM

- GHK Hospital Ramping up rapidly & AOL narrowed
  - Outpatient & inpatient admission +18% & +31% yoy
  - New service centres & decent ramp up of clinic after relocated to New World Tower in Central
  - DrGo, a virtual outpatient clinic, was launched in Aug 2020
  - Regularly utilized beds: 204 (FY2020-1H:190)
- HKCEC Reversed from AOP to AOL (c. 50% of segment AOL)
  - No. of events held: 105 (-71% yoy)
  - Total patronage: c. 0.4MM (-91% yoy)
- Free Duty Stringent austerity measures reduced AOL
  - Closure of 3 outlets in Lo Wu, Hung Hom & Lok Ma Chau since late Jan/early Feb 2020 due to COVID-19

# -364 -323 FY2020-1H FY2021-1H Loss narrowed despite impact

of COVID-19

### Outlook

- Business outlook rests on when the borders could be reopened
- · Ready to capture the opportunities once cross-border travel resumes

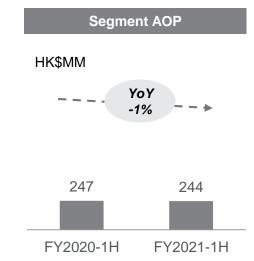






## SUEZ NWS & Derun Environment

- Announced disposal of SUEZ NWS & Derun Environment in Jan 2021 at a total consideration of HK\$6.5Bn
- Attractive valuation with implied FY2020 P/E:
  - SUEZ NWS: c. 18x
  - Derun Environment: c. 16x
- ► ForVEI II S.r.I. (installed capacity +0.55MW to 49.67MW), together with the remaining environment projects are reclassified to Strategic Investment segment





## **Environment, Social & Governance (ESG)**



## Achievements in ESG

Performance highlights

## ESG ratings and recognitions (as of 9 Feb 2021)



## Overall Rating: AA+

- Up from AA in 2019
- Successfully listed on Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability and Hang Seng ESG50 Indices
- Listed on Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Benchmark Index since 2013



Construction & Engineering:

Rank 29 out of 267 As of Dec 2020





### **Best Corporate Governance Award 2020**

Gold Award in the Non-Hang Seng Index (Medium Capitalization) Category in the Institute's 20th Anniversary Best Corporate Governance Awards



Heavy Construction Asia Pacific:

Sector ranking: 3 out of 25



BB over AAA



## **Sustainability financing**

## Achievements in ESG

## NWS First Sustainability-linked Loan

 On 29 June, NWS announced first sustainability-linked loan of HK\$1Bn with Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank



2020



## Second Sustainability-linked Loan

 In Feb 2021, NWS announced its sustainability-linked loan of HK\$1Bn with Bank of America





## Climate Resilience Measures

## **Key initiatives**

- Initiated Transition Risk Assessment towards low carbon economy in 2021 (updated Feb 2021)
- NWS' 2<sup>nd</sup> Sustainability-Linked Loan of HK\$1 billion with Bank of America in Feb 2021
- Climate Change Policy established (along with Sustainability Policy)
- Set climate related targets: GHG<sup>(1)</sup> and Energy intensity reduction of 50% by 2030 (on track)
- Climate scenario planning study piloted to assess physical risks for HKCEC
- Signatory of BEC Low Carbon Charter
- BEC<sup>(2)</sup> Climate Change Business Forum Advisory Group Steering Committee member
- As an investor:
  - Progressively phasing out investments relating to coal fired power
  - Adopting ESG considerations for future investments



<sup>1.</sup> GHG – Greenhouse Gas



## **Appendices**

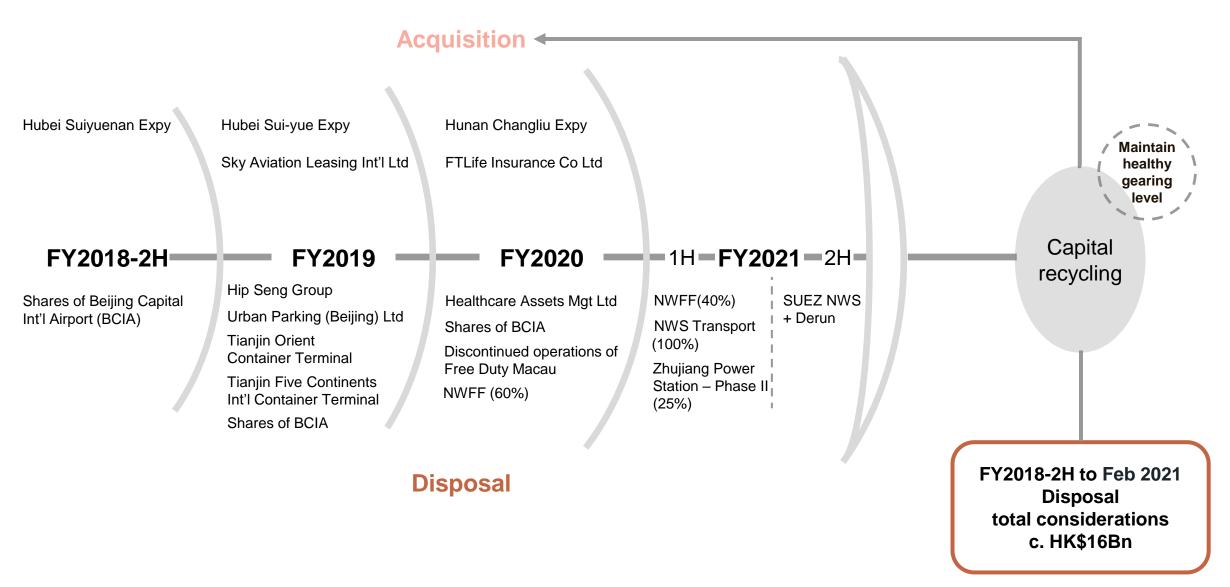


## Corporate Structure



Note: Market cap as at 25 Feb 2021

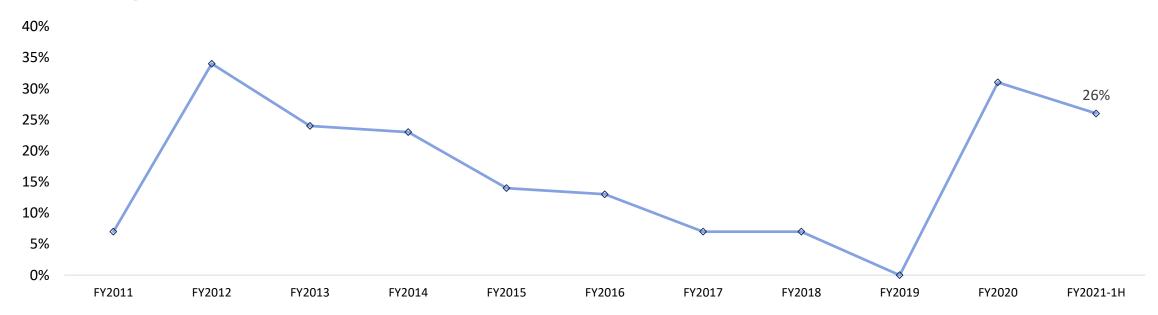
## **Optimization of business**



## **Financial highlights**

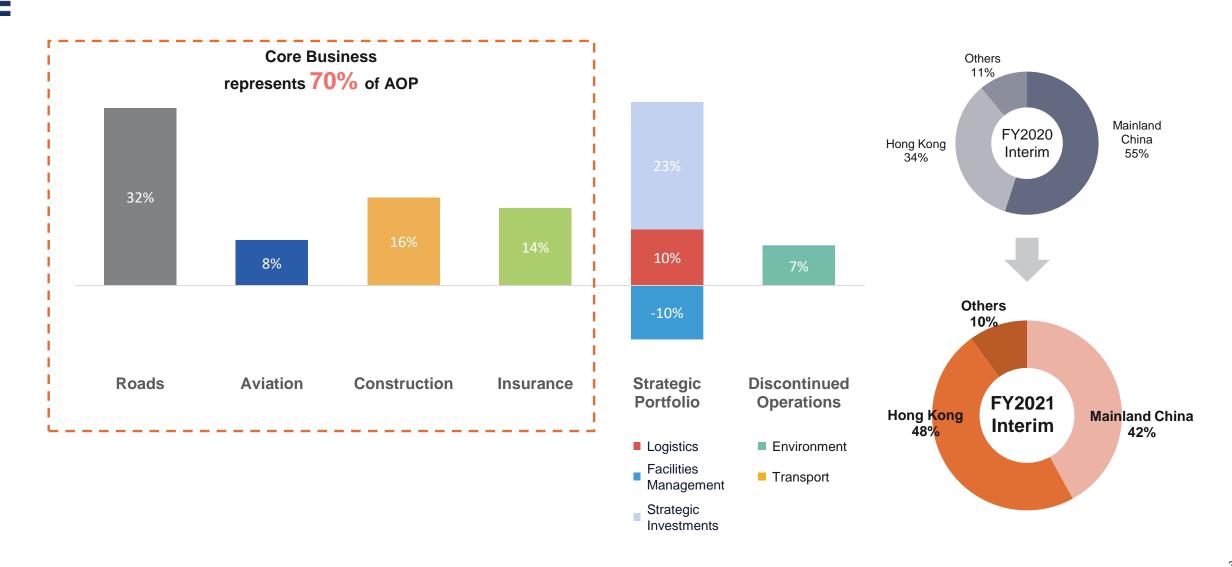
As at	30 Jun 2020 (HK\$MM)	31 Dec 2020 (HK\$MM)
Total cash & bank balances	13,221.8	10,987.6
Total debt	30,955.7	26,288.6
Net debt position	17,733.9	15,301.0
Net gearing ratio	31%	26%

## **Net Gearing Ratio**





## **AOP** by segment and geography





## Portfolio of 15 toll roads in PRC c.740 km





• 4 anchor expys, namely Hangzhou Ring Road (100%), Tangjin Expy (Tianjin North Section) (60%), Guangzhou City Northern Ring Road (65.29%) & Beijing-Zhuhai Expy (Guangzhou-Zhuhai Section) (25%), contributed c.80% of Roads segment's AOP

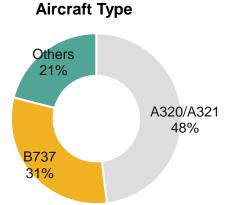


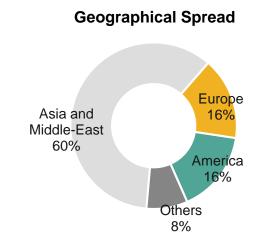


## <u>Goshawk Aviation – Leading global aircraft leasing</u> platform



As at 31 Dec 2020, 162 aircraft on book(1)





## Aircraft leasing portfolio

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Combined appraised value	c. US\$10.1Bn
Narrowbody aircraft	c. 79%
Diversified customer base <sup>(3)</sup>	61 airlines over 34 countries
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Long remaining lease terms <sup>(3)</sup>	Avg 5.9 years

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## Appendix





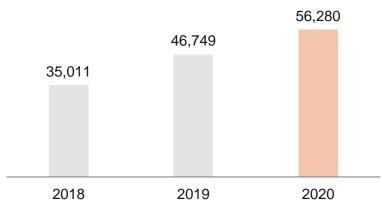




## FTLife Insurance investment portfolio (as of 31 Dec 2020)

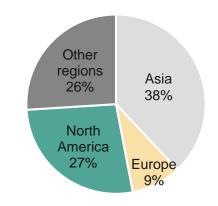


## **Investment Portfolio AUM\* (HK\$'M)**

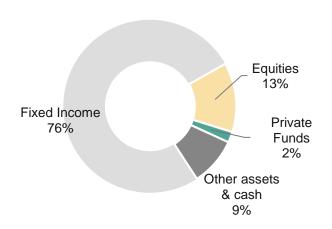


<sup>\*</sup> Exclude Investment-Linked Assurance Scheme business

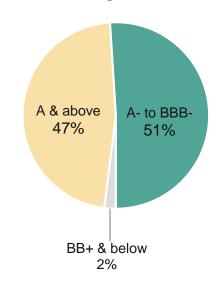
## **Geographical Distribution**



## **Asset Types**



## **Credit Rating Distribution**



Appendix



## **Strategic investments in logistics in Greater China**



#### CUIRC

- JV with China State Railway Group, PSA, CIMC & Deutsche Bahn
- 12 large-scale rail container terminals in the PRC
- Rail intermodal & international transportation
- Expansion of logistics services
- New terminal in Qinzhou Guangxi to link up sea-rail transportation between Western China & Southeast Asia
- Guangzhou terminal at construction stage



CUIRC (Multiple locations across PRC)



## **ATL Logistics Centre**

- Located in HK Largest logistics centre with ramp access in the world
- Total leasable area: 5.9MM sqft



## Transaction Update

Disposal of Interests in SUEZ NWS Limited ("SUEZ NWS") and Chongqing Derun Environment Co., Ltd. ("Derun")



## NWS crystalizes value via disposal of SUEZ NWS & Derun

## **Transaction Summary**

- On 11 January 2021 after trading hours, NWS announced the disposals of the majority of its assets within the Environment segment to its long term partner Suez, including its:
  - Entire 42% interest in SUEZ NWS at a consideration of HK\$4,173m ("SUEZ NWS disposal")
  - Entire 12.55% effective interest in Derun held through Suyu which is in turn held by NWS HKI at a consideration of HK\$2,360m ("Derun disposal")
  - Total consideration of the 2 disposals amount to HK\$6,533m
- Total gross cash proceeds from the exit amount to ~HK\$7,445m, from:
  - SUEZ NWS disposal: HK\$4,173m
  - Suyu disposal: HK\$2,360m
  - Special dividend: HK\$160m
  - Repayment of shareholders' loan from SUEZ NWS: HK\$752m
- Completion of SUEZ NWS disposal
  - Subject to HK government's approval
  - If completion takes place after March 2021, SUEZ NWS will declare an interim dividend no less than 55% payout ratio for CY2021, up to completion date, payable to NWS and Suez pro rata after completion
  - Completion of Derun disposal is subject to and will be on the same day as completion of SUEZ NWS disposal
- After completion of the 2 disposals, NWS will no longer have any interest in SUEZ NWS, Derun, Suyu and NWS HKI

#### **Transaction Valuation**

HK\$m	SUEZ NWS	Suyu
Consideration	4,173	2,360
FY2020A AOP to NWS	232.7	147.8
Implied FY20A P/E	17.9x	16.0x
Industry average (water operations) <sup>1,2</sup>	2020E P/E	
HK listed	4.9x	
China listed	15.9x	
Average	11.2x	

## **Financial Impact to NWS**

HK\$m		
Est. gain on disposal (before contingent liabilities & transaction cost)	140	
Remeasurement loss (after contingent liabilities & transaction cost)	0.1bn	

#### Notes

<sup>(1)</sup> Source from FactSet as of Dec 31, 2020

<sup>(2)</sup> HK listed water operation companies include Beijing Enterprises Water Group, China Water Affairs Group, and SIIC Environment; China listed water operation companies include Jiangxi Hongcheng Waterworks, Beijing OriginWater Tech, Beijing Capital and Grandblue Environment



## Transaction rationale and benefits

Crystalizes investment value of SUEZ NWS & Derun for NWS shareholders

- Current value of investments in SUEZ NWS and Derun are not fully recognized by the market: significant Holdco discount due to complex shareholding structure in SUEZ NWS and Derun
- Exit multiples are materially higher than average HK and China listed peers
- Opportunity to allocate resources to core competencies, invest in projects with higher growth prospects and synergistic to core segments
- NWS has been optimizing its business portfolio since 2018. Prior to the SUEZ NWS & Derun disposals, ~HK\$9 billion has been recouped from the disposal of other assets in the past three years.
- SUEZ NWS and Derun are part of non-core strategic investments that NWS has a minority ownership and doesn't have meaningful management control
- Cash proceeds from the disposals will allow NWS to increase investments in core segments and capture investment opportunities ahead (e.g. investments in Roads and Logistics) and opportunities with growth potential, strong recurring income / cash flow and lucrative returns
- Decreasing AOP contribution from Environment segment with uncertain growth potential ahead
  - Environment segment AOP has been trending down over the past three years

(HK\$m)	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020
AOP from Environment segment <sup>1</sup>	431.5 <sup>2</sup>	418.2 <sup>3</sup>	354.8
Change yoy		(3.1%)	(15.2%)

Future growth will be driven by acquisition of new projects with capital injection, which may be uncertain and expensive due to rising competition especially in mainland.

#### Notes:

- (1) Excluding one-off fair value gain or impairment loss; AOP refers to attributable operating profit which represents the profit available for appropriation office and non-operating items; SUEZ NWS and Derun are main contributors to AOP from Environment segment
- (2) Excluding one-off fair value gain of HK\$62.6m recognized from Chongqing Silian Optoelectronics Science & Technology Co., Ltd.
- (3) Excluding one-off fair value gain of HK\$232.5m as a result of change of accounting treatment of an investment under SUEZ NWS and impairment loss of HK\$21.7m from Derun



## Overview of SUEZ NWS & Derun

#### **SUEZ NWS**

- Engages in the provision of (1) water and wastewater treatment, (2) recycling and waste recovery, (3) treatment infrastructure services and (4) smart environmental solutions in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan
- Manages over 70 water and waste contracts in more than 30 cities in the PRC

### **Key financials**

## For the financial year ended 31 December

HK\$m	2018	2019
Profit before income tax	1,428	919
Profit after income tax	1,346	801
Profit attributable to SUEZ NWS shareholders	1,273	661
Net asset value (incl. non-controlling interest)		10,872

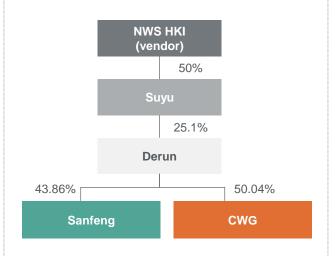
#### **AOP to NWS**

### For the financial year ended 30 June

HK\$m	2019	2020
42% of SUEZ NWS	298.3 <sup>1</sup>	232.7

#### Derun

### **Shareholding structure at announcement**



#### Sanfeng

- Invests in waste incineration power generation projects and providing related equipment in the PRC
- Market cap: RMB 13.9bn<sup>3</sup>
- 2019 net profit: RMB 554m

#### **CWG**

- Engages in water supply and waste water treatment in Chongqing city and Sichuan province
- Market cap: RMB 24.6bn
- 2019 net profit: RMB 1,665m

#### **AOP to NWS**

### For the financial year ended 30 June

HK\$m	2019	2020
12.55% of Derun	158.8 <sup>2</sup>	147.8

#### Notes:

- (1) Excluding one-off fair value gain of HK\$232.5m as a result of change of accounting treatment of an investment under SUEZ NWS
- (2) Excluding one-off impairment loss of HK\$21.7m from Derun
- (3) As at 31 December 2020



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