

***Progress Trust Closed Pension Fund  
(New Fund)***  
Annual Report  
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**Pension Fund Administrator number:** 00005

**Directors**

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Joy O. Ojakovo

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Non-Executive Director

Non-Executive Director

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Independent Director

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Report of the Pension Fund Administrator

The Directors of Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited ("the Fund Administrator") submit their annual report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023, to the members of Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited (New Fund) "the Fund". This report discloses the changes in net assets available for benefits and state of affairs of the Fund.

**Establishment, Nature and Address of the Fund**

The Fund was established in January 2005 in line with provisions of the Pension Reform Act 2004. Prior to that date, Nigerian Breweries Plc operated a staff pension fund established in 1954 by a Trust Deed approved by the Joint Tax Board. Contributions to the earlier fund, which was known as Nigerian Breweries Plc Pensions Fund (Old Fund) ceased in December 2004. The assets of the old fund are administered and reported on separately. The Fund is administered in accordance with the fund rules and Pension Reform Act 2014. The accompanying financial statements show the changes in the net assets available for benefit for the year ended 31 December 2023 and the net assets as at that date.

**Membership of the Fund**

The change in membership during the year is as follows:

	<b>31 December</b>	<b>31 December</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Number</b>
At 1 January	2,229	2,419
Leavers	(506)	(190)
Joiners	-	-
	<b>1,723</b>	<b>2,229</b>

**Financial Review**

The net assets of the Fund available for benefits (page 9) increased by N5.16 Billion in 2023 (2022 :N5.49Billion).

**Statement of net assets available for benefits and other statistics:**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>Change</b>		<b>2022</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>%</b>
Fund's value (Net assets)	48,601,972	5,165,336	10.63	43,436,637	5,492,472	12.64
Accounting units held	8,710,718	-	-	8,710,718	242,521	2.78
Number of members	1,723	(506)	(29.37)	2,229	(190)	(8.52)
Unit accounting value	5.58	0.59	10.63	4.99	0.51	10.14
Investment return	12%			11%		
					<b>31 December</b>	<b>31 December</b>
					<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
<b>Return on net asset</b>					<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Net income					9,121,476	4,253,438
Net asset available for benefits					48,601,972	43,436,637
Returns on net asset					19%	10%

**Investment of funds**

Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited is responsible for the management and investment of available funds. The investments as at the reporting date are as follows:

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	31 December 2023		31 December 2022	
	N'000	%	N'000	%
Cash and cash equivalents	1,266,443	3	3,778,153	9
Federal government bonds	26,796,027	55	24,490,567	56
State government bonds	894,801	2	743,384	2
Corporate bonds	8,137,345	17	7,692,215	18
Treasury bills	321,541	1	(0)	(0)
Commercial papers	2,175,365	4	385,929	1
Promissory note	0	0	136,304	0.31
Quoted equity investments	3,558,537	7	2,918,506	7
Infrastructure Fund	2,461,278	5	1,899,037	4
Private Equity Fund	1,848,656	4	765,298	2
Mutual funds	946,440	2	952,848	2
	<b>48,406,431</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>43,702,240</b>	<b>100</b>

**Investment risk management policies and procedures**

The risk management and audit committee has the responsibility for setting the investment risk management policies with regards to the Fund's assets under the company's management. However, responsibility for implementation of approved policies resides with the management of Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited.

The Fund's risk management policies are in line with the industry recognised acceptable level of risk on all investment asset classes. The risk management policy provides the framework for the management of the investment risk of the gratuity assets. It provides guidance for establishing a risk management program that identifies, measures, monitors and controls investment activity risks. It also includes guidance for those risks relative to overall risk exposure. The investment and risk management policies and strategies are subject to periodic review in line with regulatory guidelines from PenCom and market dynamics.

**Expenses**

The Fund's expenses include transaction costs like regulatory fees, Fund Administrator fees and regulatory fees. Other expenses charged to the Fund based on the net asset value include the following fees:

	2023	2022
Fund administrator fees:	0.13%	0.17%
Fund custodian fees:	0.15%	0.15%
National Pencom Commission:	0.10%	0.10%

**Administrators' interests in contracts**

None of the administrators has notified the Fund of their direct or indirect interest in contracts or proposed contracts with the Fund during the year.

The Directors of the administration certify that to the best of their knowledge, the information furnished to the auditors for the purpose of the audit was correct and complete in every respect

  
**Hans Esuadi**  
**Chairman**  
**FRC/2019/ANAN/00000019433**  
**19 March 2024**

  
**Joy Ojakhovo**  
**Director**  
**FRC/2014/ICAN/00000010382**  
**19 March 2024**

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***Statement of Pension Fund Administrator's Responsibilities in Relation to the  
Audited Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023***

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The Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (FRC) and the National Pension Commission (PenCom) requires Pension Fund Administrators (PFAs) in Nigeria to prepare financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as of 31 December 2023

The Pension Reform Act also requires the Directors of the Administrator to ensure that the Fund keeps proper accounting records of its income, expenditure, liabilities and assets, and that the contributions are remitted to the custodian in accordance with the rules of the Fund.

The Directors of the Fund Administrator accept responsibility for the annual financial statements, which have been prepared using appropriate accounting policies supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, in conformity with IFRS and in the manner required by the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (FRC), Pension Reform Act and relevant National Pension Commission (PenCom) circulars.

The Directors of the Administrator are of the opinion that the financial statements give a true and fair view of the net assets available for benefits and changes in net assets available for benefits in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

The Directors of the Administrator further accept responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records that may be relied upon in the preparation of the financial statements, as well as designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error

Nothing has come to the attention of the Fund Administrator to indicate that the Fund will not be in existence for at least twelve months from the date of this statement. Therefore, the Directors have made an assessment of the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern and have no reason to believe the Fund will not remain a going concern in the year ahead.

The Directors of the administration certify that to the best of their knowledge and belief, the information furnished to the auditors for the purpose of the audit was correct and complete in every respect.

  
Hans Essaudi  
Chairman  
FRC/2019/ANAN/00000019433  
19 March 2024

  
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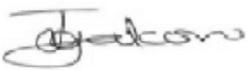
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*Certification of Audited Annual Report by the Directors of Progress  
Trust CPFA Limited*

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We hereby certify that neither the Company nor any other person acting on its behalf has:

- (a) Invested pension fund assets in the shares or any other securities issued by:
- i Progress Trust CPFA Limited.
  - ii Zenith Pension Custodians Limited or its shareholders  
The entity's shares in Zenith Bank Plc the Ultimate Parent Company of the Fund Custodian respectively has been recognized at market value and properly disclosed in the Financial
- (b) Sold pension fund assets to itself, any shareholder, a director or affiliate of the Company or any party related to Progress Trust CPFA Limited
- (c) Purchased any Progress Trust CPFA Limited (New Fund) assets or apply Pension Fund Assets under its management by way of loans and credits or as collateral for any loan taken by any person



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Joy Ojakovo  
Director  
FRC/2014/ICAN/00000010382  
19 March 2024



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Mofoluwake Abolurin  
Chief Financial Officer  
19 March 2024

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Fund

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited (New Fund), which comprise:

- the statement of net assets available for benefits as at 31 December 2023;
- the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits;
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes, comprising material accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards) and in the manner required by the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (Amendment) Act, 2023, the Pension Reform Act 2014 and the National Pension Commission (PENCOM) guidelines.

#### **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 Fund in accordance with International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants *International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (IESBA Code)* together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Nigeria and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with 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.

#### **Key Audit Matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. We have determined that there are no key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

#### **Other Information**

The Administrator is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises Pension Fund Administrator's Report, Statement of Pension Fund Administrator's Responsibilities, Certification by the Directors of the Administrator and Other National Disclosures, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.



In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

***Responsibilities of the [Directors of the Fund Administrator] for the Financial Statements***

The Administrator is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards and in the manner required by the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria (Amendment) Act, 2023, the Pension Reform Act 2014 and the National Pension Commission (PENCOM) guidelines, and for such internal control as the Administrator determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Administrator is responsible for assessing the Fund'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 the Administrator either intend to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

***Auditor's 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:

- Identify 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 Fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Administrator.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Administrator'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 Fund'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 Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.



- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Audit Committee of the Fund Administrator 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.

From the matters communicated with Audit Committee of the Administrator, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Elijah Oladunmoye, FCA  
FRC/2013/ICAN/00000019769  
For: KPMG Professional Services  
Chartered Accountants  
26 April 2024  
Lagos, Nigeria



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*Statement of changes in net assets available for benefits*

	Notes	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
<b>Inflow from dealing with members</b>			
Employer/employee contributions	5	3,568,744	3,590,096
		<u>3,568,744</u>	<u>3,590,096</u>
<b>Outflows from dealing with members</b>			
Contributions on account of leavers	7	(1,170,956)	(872,430)
		(3,487,648)	(484,295)
Payments to and on account of leavers	7		
Pension payments to retirees	7	(2,859,816)	(951,211)
Death benefit	7	(6,465)	(43,125)
		<u>(7,524,884)</u>	<u>(2,351,061)</u>
<b>Net additions/(reductions) from dealings with members</b>		(3,956,140)	1,239,035
<b>Net returns on investment:</b>			
Investment income-investments at fair value	9	445,429	374,754
Interest income calculated using the effective interest rate method	9	4,993,789	4,166,387
Fair value changes on investments at fair value	12.1.2	3,712,989	(5,104)
Impairment (charge) on financial asset	12.2.1	(11,270)	(4,971)
Investment management expenses	10	(194,110)	(180,751)
		<u>8,946,828</u>	<u>4,350,315</u>
Other income/(loss)	6	186,438	(89,118)
Administrative expenses	8	(11,790)	(7,760)
		<u>174,649</u>	<u>(96,878)</u>
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>9,121,476</u>	<u>4,253,437</u>
<b>Net increase in assets available for benefits</b>		5,165,336	5,492,472
Net assets available for benefits at the beginning of the year		43,436,637	37,944,165
<b>Net assets available for benefits at the end of the year</b>		<u>48,601,972</u>	<u>43,436,637</u>

*The accompanying notes to the financial statements form an integral part of this financial statements.*

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*Statement of net assets available for benefits*

	Notes	31 December 2023 N'000	31 December 2022 N'000
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	11	1,266,443	3,778,153
Investment securities:			
- Investments at fair value	12.1	8,814,911	6,535,689
- Investments at amortised cost	12.2	38,257,248	33,331,838
Other assets	13	407,620	2,329
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>48,746,223</b>	<b>43,648,009</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Benefits and fees liabilities	14	128,510	192,141
Other liabilities	15	15,739	19,231
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>144,249</b>	<b>211,372</b>
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>		<b>48,601,972</b>	<b>43,436,637</b>

The financial statements were approved for issue by the Directors of the Pension Fund Administrator on 19 March 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



**Hans Essaadi**  
Chairman  
FRC/2022/PRO/DIR/003/195502  
19 March 2024



**Joy Ojakovo**  
Director  
FRC/2014/ICAN/00000010382  
19 March 2024



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19 March 2024

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*Statement of cashflows*

		<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Net income		9,121,476	4,253,437
<b>Adjustment for non-cash items:</b>			
Foreign exchange gain	6	(162,224)	97,116
Accrued investment income	9	(4,613,619)	(3,898,624)
Fair value (gains)/loss on investments at fair value	12.1.1	(3,712,989)	5,104
Impairment expense /(writeback) on financial asset	12.2.1	11,270	4,971
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities:</b>			
(Decrease) /Increase in investment liabilities	20 (c)	(63,631)	(1,120,416)
Increase in other liabilities	20 (b)	(3,492)	7,773
Increase/(Decrease) in other assets	20 (a)	(405,290)	6,906
<b>Net cash(outflow)/ inflow from operating activities</b>		<b>171,501</b>	<b>(643,732)</b>
Purchase of investments at fair value	12.1.1	(64,276)	(403,970)
Proceeds from disposal of investments at fair value	12.1.1	1,498,042	126,583
Purchase of federal government bonds	20 (d)	(310,508)	(5,776,414)
Proceeds from redemption of federal government bonds	20 (d)	-	1,395,920
Purchase of state government bonds	20 (d)	-	-
Purchase of corporate bonds	20 (d)	(443,087)	(2,617,000)
Proceeds from redemption of corporate bonds	20 (d)	-	-
Purchase of treasury bills	20 (d)	(350,000)	-
Proceeds from liquidation of treasury bills	20 (d)	-	842,500
Purchase of commercial papers	20 (d)	(3,815,014)	(420,858)
Proceeds from redemption of commercial papers	20 (d)	1,872,733	2,768,709
Proceeds from redemption of promisory notes	20 (d)	145,871	-
Interest received on investments	20 (e)	2,576,945	2,205,209
<b>Net cash (outflow)/inflow from investing activities</b>		<b>1,110,707</b>	<b>(1,879,321)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Contributions from members	5	3,568,744	3,590,096
Payment to members	7	(7,524,884)	(2,351,061)
<b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities</b>		<b>(3,956,140)</b>	<b>1,239,035</b>
<b>Net (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>(2,673,933)</b>	<b>(1,284,018)</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		3,778,153	5,159,289
Effect of exchange rate on cash and cash equivalent	6	162,224	(97,118)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1,266,443</b>	<b>3,778,153</b>

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**1 General information**

These financial statements are the financial statements of Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited (New Fund) "the Fund". The Fund was established in January 2005 in line with provisions of the Pension Reform Act 2004. Prior to that date, Nigerian Breweries Plc operated a staff pension fund established in 1954 by a Trust Deed approved by the Joint Tax Board. Contributions to the earlier fund, which was known as Nigerian Breweries Plc Pensions Fund "Old Fund", ceased in December 2004. The assets of the old fund are administered and reported on separately. Membership of the Fund is made up of full time employees of Nigerian Breweries Plc before 1 January 2015. Contributions to the Fund are a defined percentage of monthly total emoluments.

The financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 31 December 2023 were authorised for issue by the directors of the Pension Fund Administrator on 19th March 2024.

**2 Summary of Material accounting policies**

The Fund has consistently applied the following accounting policies to all periods presented in these financial statements, except if mentioned otherwise. In addition, the Fund adopted Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to IAS 1 and IFS Practice Statement 2) from 1 January 2023. The amendments require the disclosure of 'material', rather than 'significant', accounting policies. Although did not result to any change in the accounting policies themselves.

**2.1 Basis of preparation of Progress Trust CPFA Limited (New Fund)**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC"). These financial statements are prepared in accordance with IFRS and are in compliance with the Pension Reform Act 2014.

The financial statements comprise the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits, the statement of net assets available for benefits, the statement of cashflows and the notes to the financial statements. Other national disclosures which include the statement of Value Added and Five-year financial summary have been added.

The preparation of financial statements which is in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies. Changes in assumptions may have a significant impact on the financial statements in the period the assumptions changed. Management believes that the underlying assumptions are appropriate and that the Fund's financial statements therefore present the financial results fairly. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in Note 4.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the going concern principle.

The disclosures on risks from financial instruments are presented in the financial risk management report contained in Note 3.

**a) Functional and presentation currency**

These financial statement are presented in Nigerian Naira, which is the Fund's Functional currency. Except where otherwise indicated, financial information presented in naira has been rounded to the nearest thousand naira.

**b) Basis of measurement**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment securities carried at fair value through profit and loss and at amortized cost.

**c) Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The administrators have no doubt that the Fund would remain in existence after 12 months.

**d) New standards, amendments and interpretations adopted by the Company**

The accounting policies are consistent with those reported in the previous year except as required in terms of the adoption of the following amendments effective for the current period:

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**2.2.1 Standards and interpretations effective during the reporting period**

The effective interpretations and standards that need to be considered for financial years ended 31 December 2023 are listed below:

- a) IFRS standards 17 Insurance Contracts, including amendments to initial application of IFRS standards 17 and IFRS standards 9- Comparative information.
- b) Definition of Accounting Estimates ( Amendments to IAS 8)
- c) Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS standards practice statement 2)efinition of Accounting Estimates (Amendments
- d) Deferred Tax Related to Assets and Liabilities Arising from a Single Transaction: The amendment clarifies that the initial recognition exemption does not apply to transactions that give rise to equal and offsetting temporary differences such as leases and decommissioning obligations. As a result, companies will need to recognise a deferred tax asset and a deferred tax liability for temporary differences arising on initial recognition arising from these transactions.

**2.2.2 New Standards, amendments, interpretations issued but not yet effective.**

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. Those Standards, Amendments to Standards and Interpretations which may be relevant to the Company are set out below. The Company does not plan to early adopt these standards. These will be adopted in the period that they become mandatory unless otherwise indicated:

Standard	Date issued by IASB	Effective date periods beginning or after	Summary of the requirements and impact assessment
Amendments to IAS 1	Oct-22	1-Jan-24	<p>Under existing IAS 1 requirements, companies classify a liability as current when they do not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period. As part of its amendments, the Board has removed the requirement for a right to be unconditional and instead, now requires that a right to defer settlement must have substance and exist at the end of the reporting period.</p> <p>The existing requirement to ignore management's intentions or expectations for settling a liability when determining its classification is unchanged.</p> <p>In addition a company will classify a liability as non-current if it has a right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the reporting date. Such right may be subject to a company complying with conditions (covenants) specified in a loan arrangement.</p> <p>The amendments also clarify how a company classifies a liability that includes a counterparty conversion option, which could either be recognised as either equity or liability separately from the liability component under IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation</p> <p>(Include entity specific impact of the amendments)</p> <p>The amendments apply retrospectively for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024, with early application permitted. [It also specifies the transition requirements for companies that may have early-adopted the previously issued but not yet effective 2020 amendments]</p>

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Amendment to IFRS 16: Lease Liability in a sale and lease back	Sep-22	1-Jan-24	<p>Amendments to IFRS 16 Leases requires a seller-lessee impacts how a seller-lessee to subsequently measure lease liabilities arising from a leaseback in a way that it does not recognise any amount of the gain or loss that relates to the right of use it retains. The amendment also requires the seller-lessee to include variable lease payments when it measures a lease liability arising from a sale- and-leaseback transaction.</p> <p>The amendments confirm the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On initial recognition, the seller-lessee includes variable lease payments when it measures a lease liability arising from a sale-and-leaseback transaction.</li> <li>• After initial recognition, the seller-lessee applies the general requirements for subsequent accounting of the lease liability such that it recognises no gain or loss relating to the right of use it retains.</li> </ul> <p>A seller-lessee may adopt different approaches that satisfy the new requirements on subsequent measurement.</p> <p>The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024.</p> <p>Under IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, a seller- lessee will need to apply the amendments retrospectively to sale-and-leaseback transactions entered into or after the date of initial application of IFRS 16. This means that it will need to identify and re-examine sale-and-leaseback transactions entered into since implementation of IFRS 16 in 2019, and potentially restate those that included variable lease payments.</p>
Amendments to IAS 21 : Lack of Exchangeability	Aug-23	1-Jan-25	<p>The amendments clarifies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When a currency is exchangeable into another currency; and</li> <li>• How a company estimates a spot rate when a currency lacks exchangeability.</li> </ul> <p>Assessing exchangeability: When to estimate a spot rate</p> <p>A currency is exchangeable into another currency when a company is able to exchange that currency for the other currency at the measurement date and for a specified purpose. When a currency is not exchangeable, a company needs to estimate a spot rate.</p> <p>Estimating a spot rate: Meeting the estimation objective</p> <p>A company’s objective when estimating a spot rate is only that it reflects the rate at which an orderly exchange transaction would take place at the measurement date between market participants under prevailing economic conditions. The amendments contain no specific requirements on how to estimate a spot rate.</p> <p>Therefore, when estimating a spot rate a company can use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an observable exchange rate without adjustment; or</li> <li>• another estimation technique.</li> </ul> <p>Under the amendments, companies will need to provide new disclosures to help users assess the impact of using an estimated exchange rate on the financial statements. This may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the nature and financial impacts of the currency not being exchangeable</li> <li>• the spot exchange rate used;</li> <li>• the estimation process; and</li> <li>• risks to the company because the currency is not exchangeable</li> </ul> <p>The amendments apply for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2025, with early application permitted.</p> <p>The Company is currently assessing the impact on the annual financial statements</p>

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**2.3 Foreign currency translation**

a) *Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial statements of the Fund are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Fund operates ('the functional currency'). The functional currency and presentation currency of the Fund is the Nigerian Naira ₦ or NGN.

b) *Transactions and balances*

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of foreign currency transactions and from the translation at period end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the Fund's functional currency are recognised in statement of changes in net assets available for benefits within other income/ (loss). Monetary items denominated in foreign currency are translated using the closing rate as at the reporting date. Translation differences on non monetary financial assets and liabilities such as equities held at fair value are recognised in statement of changes in net assets available for benefits as part of 'changes in the value of investments'.

**2.4 Contributions**

Normal and additional contributions, both from the members and employers are generally accounted for on an accrual basis in the payroll period which they relate. In the case of member contributions, this is deducted from the pay.

**2.5 Investment income and expenditure**

**2.5.1 Investment income**

**Interest income**

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. The interest income is determined using the effective interest rate (EIR), which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial instrument. The calculation takes into account all contractual terms of the financial instrument and includes any fees or incremental costs that are directly attributable to the instrument and are an integral part of the effective interest rate (EIR), but not future credit losses.

The carrying amount of the financial instrument is adjusted if the Fund revises its estimates of payments or receipts.

**2.5.2 Dividend income**

Dividend income is recognised in the statement of changes in net asset available for benefits when the right to receive dividend income is established, which in the case of quoted equities is the ex-dividend date.

**2.5.3 Investment management expenses**

Asset based fees are charged against the pension fund assets for the custodian (0.15%) and the Fund administrator (0.13%), for collection and administration of pension Fund assets respectively. These fees are charged as a percentage of monthly closing net asset value of the Fund and are accrued monthly upon portfolio valuation.

**2.5.4 Changes in value of investments at fair value**

Changes in value of investments at fair value include all changes in fair value and exchange differences. The changes in fair value is determined as the difference between the fair value at year end or consideration received (if sold during the period) and the fair value as at the prior year end or cost (if the investment was acquired during the period). It does not include interest or dividend income.

**2.5.5 Other expenses**

Other expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis.

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**2.6 Financial instruments**

**a) Initial recognition**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Fund becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on settlement date basis.

At initial recognition, the Fund measures a financial asset or financial liability at its fair value plus or minus, in the case of a financial asset or financial liability not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are incremental and directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset or financial liability, such as fees and commissions. Transaction costs of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in profit or loss.

**b) Classification and measurement**

**• Financial assets**

It is the Fund's policy to initially recognise financial assets at fair value plus transaction costs, except in the case of financial assets recorded at fair value through profit or loss in which case transaction cost are expensed in profit or loss. The Fund uses settlement date accounting for the recognition of financial assets.

Classification and subsequent measurement is dependent on the Fund's business model for managing the asset and the cash flow characteristics of the asset. On this basis, the Fund may classify its financial instruments as fair value or at amortised cost.

All the Fund's financial assets at amortised cost as at 31 December 2023 satisfy the conditions for classification at amortised cost under IFRS 9.

The Fund's financial assets include Bank balances, investment securities and other assets.

**Financial assets at fair value**

Financial assets are subsequently classified at fair value if they are acquired principally for the purpose of selling or if it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and for which there is evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit taking. Fair values are remeasured at each reporting date all gains and losses are recognised in the statement of changes in net asset available for benefits.

**Financial assets at amortised cost**

Financial assets at amortised are financial assets that have a fixed redemption value assuming a constant rate of return to maturity that the Fund has acquired to match the obligations of the plan, or specific parts thereof. Financial assets in this portfolio are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the Effective interest rate (EIR) method. Investment at amortised cost include federal government bonds, state government bonds, corporate bonds

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the EIR. The EIR amortisation is included in interest income and the losses arising from impairment are recognised as impairment charge in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

**• Financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost. The Fund's financial liability includes benefits due, accrued liabilities on fee and commissions, accrued audit fees and other liabilities.

Debt instruments are those instruments that meet the definition of a financial liability from the issuer's perspective, such as loans, government and

**c) Business model assessment**

The Fund determines the business models as the level that best reflects how portfolios of financial assets are managed to achieve the Fund's business objectives. Judgment is used in determining the business models, which is supported by relevant, objective evidence including:

- How the economic activities of our businesses generate benefits, for example through trading revenue, enhancing yields or other costs and how such economic activities are evaluated and reported to key management personnel;
- The significant risks affecting the performance of our businesses, for example, market risk, credit risk, or other risks and the activities undertaken to manage those risks; and
- Historical and future expectations of sales of investment securities portfolios managed as part of a business model.

The Fund's business models fall into two category, which are indicative of the key strategies used to generate returns:

- Hold-to-Collect (HTC): The objective of this business model is to hold financial assets to collect contractual principal and interest cash flows. Sales are incidental to this objective and are expected to be insignificant or infrequent.
- Other fair value business models: These business models are neither hold- to-collect nor hold-to-collect and sell, and primarily represents business models where assets are held-for-trading or managed on a fair value basis.

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**d) Solely payment of principal and interest (SPPI) assessment**

Instruments held within a HTC business model are assessed to evaluate if their contractual cash flows are comprised of solely payments of principal and interest. SPPI payments are those which would typically be expected from basic lending arrangements. Principal amounts include par repayments from lending and financing arrangements, and interest primarily relates to basic lending returns, including compensation for credit risk and the time value of money associated with the principal amount outstanding over a period of time. Interest can also include other basic lending risks and costs (for example, liquidity risk, servicing or administrative costs) associated with holding the financial asset for a period of time, and a profit margin.

**e) Fair value measurement**

All assets for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 – Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable.
- Level 3 – Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Fund determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

**f) Derecognition**

**• Financial assets**

The Fund derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or when it transfers the financial asset and the transfer qualifies for derecognition.

**• Financial liabilities**

The Fund derecognises a financial liability when it is extinguished i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised immediately in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

**g) Impairment**

Recognition of impairment provisions under IFRS 9 is based on the expected credit loss (ECL) model. The ECL model is applicable to financial assets classified at amortised cost and contract assets under IFRS 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers. The measurement of ECL reflects an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes, time value of money and reasonable and supportable information, that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date, about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

The Fund applies the three-stage general approach of simplified model to determine impairment on financial assets. The three-stage general model is used to determine impairment of investment securities which consists of federal government bonds and treasury bills, while the simplified approach is applied for other receivables.

IFRS 9 outlines a 'three-stage' model for impairment based on changes in credit quality since initial recognition as summarised below:

- A financial instrument that is not credit-impaired on initial recognition is classified in 'Stage 1' and has its credit risk continuously monitored by the Fund.
- If a significant increase in credit risk ('SICR') since initial recognition is identified, the financial instrument is moved to 'Stage 2' but is not yet deemed to be credit-impaired.
- If the financial instrument is credit-impaired, the financial instrument is then moved to 'Stage 3'.
- Financial instruments in Stage 1 have their ECL measured at an amount equal to the portion of lifetime expected credit losses that result from default events possible within the next 12 months. Instruments in Stages 2 or 3 have their ECL measured based on expected credit losses on a lifetime basis.
- A pervasive concept in measuring ECL in accordance with IFRS 9 is that it should consider forward-looking information.
- Purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets are those financial assets that are credit-impaired on initial recognition. Their ECL is always measured on a lifetime basis (Stage 3).

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The general approach assesses impairment based on changes in credit risk since initial recognition using the past due criterion. Financial assets classified as stage 1 have their ECL measured as a proportion of their lifetime ECL that results from possible default events that can occur within one year, while assets in stage 2 or 3 have their ECL measured on a lifetime basis.

Under the general approach, the ECL is determined by projecting the probability of default (PD), loss given default (LGD) and exposure at default (EAD) for each aging bucket and for each individual exposure. The PD is based on default rates determined by external rating agencies for the counterparties. The LGD assesses the portion of the outstanding receivable that is deemed to be irrecoverable at the reporting period. These three components are multiplied together and adjusted using macro-economic indicators. This effectively calculates an ECL which is then discounted back to the reporting date and summed. The discount rate used in the ECL calculation is the original effective interest rate or an approximation thereof.

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the related financial assets and the amount of the loss is recognised in profit or loss.

The simplified approach requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables. This involves determining the expected loss rates which is then applied to the gross carrying amount of the receivable to arrive at the loss allowance for the period.

The key judgements, estimates and assumptions adopted by the Fund in addressing the requirements of the standard are discussed below:

**Significant increase in credit risk and default definition**

The Fund assesses the credit risk of its financial assets based on the information obtained during periodic review of publicly available information on the entities, industry trends and payment records. Based on the analysis of the information provided, the Fund identifies the assets that require close monitoring.

Financial assets that have been identified to be more than 30 days past due on contractual payments are assessed to have experienced significant increase in credit risk. These assets are grouped as part of Stage 2 financial assets where the general approach is applied.

In line with the Fund's credit risk management practices, a financial asset is defined to be in default when contractual payments have not been received at least 90 days after the contractual payment period. Subsequent to default the Fund carries out active recovery strategies to recover all outstanding payments due on receivables. Where it is determined that there are no realistic prospect of recovery, the financial assets and any related loss allowance is written off either partly or full.

**Forward-looking information incorporated in the ECL models**

The assessment of SICR and the calculation of ECL both incorporate forward-looking information. The Fund has performed historical analysis and identified the key economic variables impacting credit risk and expected credit losses for each portfolio. The variables are as follows:

**Probability of default (PD)**

The credit rating of Federal Government bonds was used to reflect the assessment of the probability of default on these receivables. This was supplemented with external data from Fitch to arrive at a 12-month PD. These receivables have relatively low credit risk as they are receivables from investments in government securities. The PD for stage 3 is 100%. An appropriate PD is always applied to stage 1&2. The PD used is based on historical data.

**Loss given default (LGD)**

The 12-month LGD was calculated as the present value of the percentage loss on the outstanding receivables adjusted with forward looking macroeconomic indicators.

**Exposure at default (EAD)**

This is the amount that best represents the maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of the reporting period without taking account of any collateral.

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**Probability Weightings**

Probability weightings of historical observations are expected to fall within acceptable bounds, periods of boom and periods of downturn respectively.

**Macroeconomic indicators**

These are the forward looking information used in adjusting the historical loss determined to arrive at the expected credit loss. The historical inflation rates and GDP growth rates in Nigeria were the economic variables used to determine base, optimistic and downturn scenarios.

**2.7 Write off policy**

The Fund writes off financial assets, in whole or in part, when it has exhausted all practical recovery efforts and has concluded there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery include (i) ceasing enforcement activity and (ii) where the Fund's recovery method is foreclosing on collateral and the value of the collateral is such that there is no reasonable expectation of recovering in full.

**2.8 Funding and Investment policies**

**Funding policy**

The New Fund is funded by both the employer and employee. Monthly contributions are made by the employer and employee into the Fund at a defined percentage of the employee's monthly emolument as shown below:

	<b>Employee</b>	<b>Employer</b>	<b>Total contribution</b>
Non management	7%	12%	19%
Management employees	8%	10%	18%

Progress Trust maintains two accounts in respect of each member for the employee and employer contributions respectively. The CPFA invests the contributions in accordance with the related investment guidelines and each members accounts is credited on a monthly basis to reflect the investment returns achieved.

**Investment policy**

Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited manages the Fund on behalf of the members of the Fund. The investment objectives of the Fund are:

- Safety and maintenance of fair returns;
- Positive risk/reward trade off when compared to similar funds in the market place;
- Asset liquidity sufficient to provide an uninterrupted stream of benefit payments to members when it becomes necessary;
- Asset diversification; and
- Sufficient post employment income for members of the Fund.

Progress Trust ensures diversification and dynamic asset allocation geared towards ensuring a rate of return that is above inflation. Progress Trust may invest in the asset classes below to achieve the investment objectives.

<b>ASSET CLASS</b>
- Fixed income securities: Government securities, Investment grade commercial bills, Investment grade corporate bonds, Supranational bonds and money market instruments
- Equities: Quoted securities, Open-ended/Closed-ended funds
- Real estate investment trust schemes, Mortgage backed securities, Asset backed securities and Infrastructure Funds
- Private equity
- Unquoted investments/Private placements

The investment policies are in line with PenCom guidelines on investment and portfolio assets

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**2.9 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash in hand and at bank and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

**2.10 Other assets**

Other assets is made up of outstanding contributions, dividend receivable etc. These are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except for maturities greater than 12 months after the end of the reporting period which are classified as non-current assets.

**2.11 Comparatives**

Except when a standard or an interpretation permits or requires otherwise, all amounts are reported or disclosed with comparative information.

**3 Financial risk management**

**3.1 Introduction**

The Fund has exposure to various types of risk that are associated with its investment strategies, financial instruments and markets in which it invests in the normal course of business. These risks include credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, interest rate risk, exchange rate risk and operational risk, therefore, the value of the investments held by the Fund may fluctuate daily as a result of changes in economic conditions, interest rate, market, and specific news on companies it is invested in. The level of risk is dependent on the Fund's investment objective and the type of securities it invests in.

Risk management is carried out in line with policies approved by the regulators. Specific risk management approaches are defined for each risk the Fund is exposed to.

The Funds' risk management policies are in line with the National Pension commission (PenCom) guidelines and the industry recognised acceptable level of risk on all investment asset classes. PenCom's recommendations on acceptable proportion for portfolio investment by asset class are also adhered to.

The Fundamental investment philosophy of the Fund is to ensure safety, sustainable long-term returns and liquidity in line with the regulation on investment of pension fund assets and risk management framework.

**3.1.1 Risk management structure**

The investment strategy committee of the pension fund administrator is responsible for the overall risk management approach and for approving the risk management policies, frameworks, strategies and principles. It also has the responsibility to monitor the overall risk process.

The head of the investment strategy management committee has the overall responsibility for the development of the risk strategy and implementing principles, frameworks, policies and limits. It is also the responsibility of the head of investment strategy management committee to manage risk decisions and monitor risk levels as well ensure monthly and quarterly risk reports are provided to the investment risk management committee.

The Risk management committee is responsible for monitoring compliance with risk principles, policies and limits across the Pension Fund. This committee also ensures the complete capture of the risks in risk measurement and reporting systems.

**3.1.2 Risk mitigation**

Risk controls and mitigants, identified are documented for existing and new processes and systems. The adequacy of these mitigants is tested on a periodic basis by the Internal Control team. These are subsequently audited as part of the review process.

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**3.2 Credit risk**

Credit risk is the risk that counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Fund, thereby resulting in a financial loss to the Fund. The Fund is subject to credit risk from its holdings in money market instruments, bonds and short term deposits.

**3.2.1 Management of credit risk**

The Fund limits its exposure to credit loss by investing in instruments and issuers with investment grade credit rating as well as by diversifying among eligible issuers. In addition, counterparty risk is minimized for fixed income securities because the exchange of cash and securities are made simultaneously.

**3.2.2 Maximum exposure to credit risk**

The following table contains an analysis of the credit risk exposure of financial instruments subjected to impairment. The gross carrying amount of the financial assets below represents the Fund's maximum exposure to credit risk on these assets.

	Notes	31-Dec-23			31-Dec-22	
		Stage 1 12-month ECL	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL	Total N'000	Total N'000
<b>Financial assets</b>						
		N'000	N'000	N'000		N'000
Cash and cash equivalents	11	1,266,443	-	-	1,266,443	3,778,153
<b>Investments at amortised cost:</b>						
Federal government bonds	12.2	26,796,027	-	-	26,796,027	24,430,567
State government bonds	12.2	894,801	-	-	894,801	743,384
Corporate bonds	12.2	8,137,345	-	-	8,137,345	7,692,215
Promissory note	12.2	0	-	-	0	136,304
Supranational bonds	12.2	-	-	-	-	-
Treasury bills	12.2	321,541	-	-	321,541	(0)
Commercial papers	12.2	2,175,365	-	-	2,175,365	385,929
<b>Loss allowance</b>		(67,830)	-	-	(67,830)	(56,561)
<b>Total investment securities at amortised cost</b>		<b>38,257,248</b>	-	-	<b>38,257,248</b>	<b>33,331,838</b>
Other assets	13	407,620	-	-	407,620	2,329
<b>Total financial assets</b>		<b>39,931,311</b>	-	-	<b>39,931,311</b>	<b>37,112,321</b>
<b>Net carrying amount</b>		<b>39,931,311</b>	-	-	<b>39,931,311</b>	<b>37,112,321</b>

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**3.2.3 Credit quality of financial assets**

The credit quality of the Fund's financial assets are not impaired and are classified as stage 1.

The Fund invests in investment grade financial assets, the exposures per credit rating category are stated below:

	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>		
BBB	402,605	1,170,191
AA-		316,243
BBB-	493,823	
A-		
BBB+		968,298
B-	303,352	1,323,421
A+		
Aa		
A		
AA+		
AAA		
B+		
OTHERS	66,664	
	<u>1,266,443</u>	<u>3,778,153</u>

	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
<b>Investments at amortised cost</b>		
AAA	1,625,143	456,230
A+	1,440,137	2,813,221
A-	1,888,719	1,369,662
AA-		200,075
A	622,133	929,370
AA		-
Aa	1,249,160	410,732
AA+	180,000	354,186
A+	870,639	-
BBB	645,916	208,242
BBB-	1,043,701	259,674
Bbb+		-
BBB+	1,625,402	557,166
B	26,068,348	24,430,567
B-	303,352	
Others	2,368,661	5,123,195
	<u>39,931,311</u>	<u>37,112,321</u>

A' ratings indicate an opinion that the issuer has the current capacity to meet its debt obligations and faces slightly higher solvency risk from changes in business, financial, or economic conditions.

B' ratings indicate that the issuer or carrier is relatively stable with a moderate chance of default.

The modifiers "+" or "-" may be appended to a rating to denote relative status within major rating categories.

This is based on Fitch national long term rating.

\*This represents instruments not rated by Fitch.

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**3.2.4 Concentration of credit risk**

The Fund monitors concentrations of credit by geographical location and sector.

Africa (Nigeria) is the Fund's primary geographical segment. The secondary geographical segment of the Fund is Europe. All the scheme's income is derived from the geographical segments listed below. Additionally, all of the segments' income comprises interest income from investments.

An analysis of concentration of investments by geographical location and sector are shown below:

**i) Geographical concentration**

	Cash and cash equivalents	Investment securities at amortised cost	Investment at fair value	Other assets	Total
	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
<b>31 December 2023</b>					
Nigeria	1,266,443	38,257,248	3,712,989	407,620	43,644,300
	1,266,443	38,257,248	3,712,989	407,620	43,644,300
<b>31 December 2022</b>					
Nigeria	3,778,153	33,331,838	(5,104)	2,329	37,107,217
	3,778,153	33,331,838	(5,104)	2,329	37,107,217

**ii) Sectoral concentration**

The following table breaks down the Fund's credit exposures at their carrying amounts (without taking into account any collateral held or other credit support), as categorised by industry sector

**31 December 2023**

	Cash and cash equivalents	Investment securities at amortised cost	Investment at fair value	Other assets	Total
	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
Government	-	30,119,904	-	-	30,119,904
Financial services	1,266,443	8,137,345	-	-	9,403,788
Manufacturing sector	-	-	-	-	-
Others	-	-	3,712,989	407,620	4,120,608
	1,266,443	38,257,248	3,712,989	407,620	43,644,300

**31 December 2022**

	Cash and cash equivalents	Investment securities at amortised cost	Investment at fair value	Other assets	Total
	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
Government	-	25,639,623	-	-	25,639,623
Financial services	3,778,153	7,692,215	-	-	11,470,368
Manufacturing sector	-	-	-	-	-
Others	-	-	(5,104)	2,329	(2,775)
	3,778,153	33,331,838	(5,104)	2,329	37,107,217

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**3.3 Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The Fund is exposed to liquidity risk in meeting regular withdrawals by retired/retiring subscribers or other obligations. The risk could arise from mismatches in the timing of cash flows under both normal and stress circumstances.

**3.3.1 Management of liquidity risk**

The Funds' liquidity risk is managed by investing the majority of its assets in investments that are traded in an active market and can be easily disposed. The main objective of the Funds' liquidity risk framework is to maintain sufficient liquidity in order to ensure that maturing obligations are met.

As at 31 December 2023, most of the Fund's investments are considered readily realisable and highly liquid, therefore, the Fund's liquidity risk is considered minimal.

**3.3.2 Maturity analysis of financial liabilities**

All the financial liabilities of the Fund mature within 12 months from the reporting date based on the remaining period from the statement of net assets available for benefits date to the contractual maturity date.

**3.4 Market risk**

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, equity prices; credit spreads (not relating to changes in the obligor's/issuers credit standing) will affect the Fund's income or the fair value of its holding of financial instruments. The Fund's market risk is affected by three main components: changes interest rates, foreign exchange prices and actual market prices.

**3.4.1 Management of market risk**

The main objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk. Market risk is monitored regularly by the pension fund administrators to identify any adverse movement in the underlying variables. The market price risk is managed and reduced through a careful selection of securities and sectors bearing in mind market uncertainties. Also, the risk is managed through compliance with investment guidelines, staying within limits and adherence to the rebalancing policy which allows for bringing within limit any security which may have exceeded its limit as a result of market movements, monitoring of market events and their potential impact on overall exposures as well as diversification of assets held.

**3.4.2 Market price risk**

Market price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk). The investments of the Fund are subject to normal market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in financial markets. The maximum risk resulting from financial instruments held by the Fund is determined by the fair value of the financial instruments. The Fund is exposed to market risk on its equity investments and mutual funds.

	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Quoted equity investments	3,558,537	2,918,506
Mutual funds	946,440	952,848
	<b>4,504,978</b>	<b>3,871,354</b>

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**Sensitivity analysis for market price risk**

The sensitivity analysis for market price risk shows how the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in the market price. The sensitivity of the Fund's earnings to fluctuations in market price rates is reflected by varying the market prices as shown below:

	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Increase in market prices by 5%	225,249	193,568
Decrease in market prices by 5%	(225,249)	(193,568)
Increase in market prices by 10%	450,498	387,135
Decrease in market prices by 10%	(450,498)	(387,135)
Increase in market prices by 15%	675,747	580,703
Decrease in market prices by 15%	(675,747)	(580,703)

**3.4.3 Interest rate risk**

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future cash flows or fair values of financial instruments. Interest rate risk arises when the Fund invests in interest-bearing financial instruments. However, the Fund is not exposed to interest rate risk as there are no fixed interest rate instruments measured at fair value and no floating interest rate instruments measured at amortised cost.

<b>Financial Assets</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Fixed</b>	<b>Floating</b>	<b>Non-interest bearing</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>31 December 2023</b>		<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	11	-	-	1,266,443	1,266,443
Federal government bonds	12.2	26,796,027	-	-	26,796,027
State government bonds	12.2	894,801	-	-	894,801
Corporate bonds	12.2	8,137,345	-	-	8,137,345
Treasury bills	12.2	321,541	-	-	321,541
Promissory note	12.2	0	-	-	0
Commercial papers	12.2	2,175,365	-	-	2,175,365
Quoted equity investments	12.1	-	-	3,558,537	3,558,537
Infrastructure fund	12.1	-	-	2,461,278	2,461,278
Private equity	12.1	-	-	1,848,656	1,848,656
Mutual funds	12.1	-	-	946,440	946,440
Other assets	13	-	-	407,620	407,620
Impairment	12.2	(67,830)	-	-	(67,830)
		38,257,248	-	10,488,974	48,746,221

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Financial Assets	Notes	Non-interest bearing			Total
		Fixed	Floating		
31 December 2022		N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
Cash and cash equivalents	11	-	-	3,778,153	3,778,153
Federal government bonds	12.2	24,430,567	-	-	24,430,567
State government bonds	12.2	743,384	-	-	743,384
Corporate bonds	12.2	7,692,215	-	-	7,692,215
Supranational bonds	12.2	-	-	-	-
Treasury bills	12.2	-	-	-	-
Promissory note	12.2	136,304	-	-	136,304
Commercial papers	12.2	385,929	-	-	385,929
Quoted equity investments	12.1	-	-	2,918,506	2,918,506
Infrastructure fund	12.1	-	-	1,899,037	1,899,037
Private equity	12.1	-	-	765,298	765,298
Mutual funds	12.1	-	-	952,848	952,848
Other assets	13	-	-	2,329	2,329
Impairment	12.2	(56,561)	-	-	(56,561)
		33,331,839	-	10,316,171	43,648,008

All financial liabilities are non-interest bearing.

**3.4.4 Foreign exchange risk**

The Fund invests in financial instruments that are denominated in currencies other than its functional currency, which is the Nigerian Naira. Consequently, the Fund is exposed to the risk that the exchange rate of its functional currency relative to other foreign currencies may change in a manner that has an adverse effect on the fair value or future cash flows of the Fund's financial assets.

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	US Dollars	Naira	Total
	N'000	N'000	N'000
Cash and cash equivalents	17,157	1,266,443	3,778,153
Investments at fair value	-	8,814,911	8,814,911
Investment at amortized costs	-	38,257,248	38,257,248
Other asset	-	407,620	407,620
	<b>17,157</b>	<b>48,746,223</b>	<b>51,257,933</b>

**31 December 2022**

	US Dollars	Naira	Total
	N'000	N'000	N'000
Cash and cash equivalents	293	3,777,860	3,778,153
Investments at fair value	-	6,535,689	6,535,689
Investment at amortized costs	-	33,331,838	33,331,838
Other asset	-	2,329	2,329
	<b>293</b>	<b>43,647,716</b>	<b>43,648,009</b>

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***Sensitivity analysis for foreign exchange risk***

The sensitivity analysis for currency rate risk shows how changes in the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in exchange rates. The analysis includes only outstanding foreign currency denominated monetary items and the adjusted translated value tested using different percentage changes.

The sensitivity of the Fund's earnings to fluctuations in dollar exchange rates is reflected by varying the exchange rates as shown below:

	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Increase in exchange rate by 5%	858	15
Decrease in exchange rate by 5%	(858)	(15)
Increase in exchange rate by 10%	1,716	29
Decrease in exchange rate by 10%	(1,716)	(29)
Increase in exchange rate by 15%	2,574	44
Decrease in exchange rate by 15%	(2,574)	(44)

**3.4.4 Market price risk**

Market price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk). The investments of the Fund are subject to normal market fluctuations and the risks inherent in investment in financial markets. The maximum risk resulting from financial instruments held by the Fund is determined by the fair value of the financial instruments. The Fund is exposed to market risk on its equity investments and mutual funds.

	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Quoted equity investments	3,558,537	2,918,506
Mutual Funds	946,440	952,848
	<b>4,504,978</b>	<b>3,871,354</b>

***Sensitivity analysis for market price risk***

The sensitivity analysis for market price risk shows how the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in the market price.

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The sensitivity of the Fund's earnings to fluctuations in market price rates is reflected by varying the market prices as shown below:

	<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>31 December 2022</b>
	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Increase in market prices by 5%	225,249	193,568
Decrease in market prices by 5%	(225,249)	(193,568)
Increase in market prices by 10%	450,498	387,135
Decrease in market prices by 10%	(450,498)	(387,135)
Increase in market prices by 15%	675,747	580,703
Decrease in market prices by 15%	(675,747)	(580,703)

**3.4.5 Financial instruments by category**

The Pension Fund's retirement benefit plan assets are classified as investments at fair value or investment at amortised cost and the financial liabilities are classified into other liabilities at amortised cost.

Financial assets are classified in the statement of net assets available for benefits according to the requirement of IFRS 9 for financial instrument and IAS 32 for other financial assets.

The Pension Funds' classification of its financial assets is summarised in the table below:

<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Investments at fair value</b>	<b>Investments at amortised cost</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Financial assets</b>		<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	11	-	1,266,443	1,266,443
<b>Investment securities:</b>				
Federal government bonds	12.2	-	26,796,027	26,796,027
State government bonds	12.2	-	894,801	894,801
Corporate bonds	12.2	-	8,137,345	8,137,345
Treasury bills	12.2	-	321,541	321,541
Promisory note	12.2		0	0
Commercial papers	12.2	-	2,175,365	2,175,365
Quoted equity investments	12.1	3,558,537	-	3,558,537
Infrastructure funds	12.1	2,461,278	-	2,461,278
Private equity	12.1	1,848,656		1,848,656
Mutual funds	12.1	946,440	-	946,440
Other assets	13	-	407,620	407,620
Impairment	12.2		(67,830)	(67,830)
<b>Total financial assets</b>		<b>8,814,911</b>	<b>39,931,311</b>	<b>48,746,222</b>

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<b>31 December 2022</b>		<b>Investments at fair value</b>	<b>Investments at amortised</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Financial assets</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	11	-	3,778,153	3,778,153
<b>Investment securities:</b>				-
Federal government bonds	12.2	-	24,430,567	24,430,567
State government bonds	12.2	-	743,384	743,384
Corporate bonds	12.2	-	7,692,215	7,692,215
Supranational bonds	12.2		-	-
Treasury Bills	12.2		-	-
Promissory note	12.2		136,304	136,304
Commercial papers	12.2	-	385,929	385,929
Quoted equity investments	12.1	2,918,506	-	2,918,506
Infrastructure funds	12.1	1,899,037	-	1,899,037
Private equity	12.1	765,298		765,298
Mutual funds	12.1	952,848	-	952,848
Other assets	13	-	2,329	2,329
Impairment	12.2	-	(56,561)	(56,561)
<b>Total financial assets</b>		<b>6,535,689</b>	<b>37,112,320</b>	<b>43,648,009</b>
<b>Financial liabilities (Amortised cost)</b>				
			<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
			<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Benefit payable	14		106,610	164,028
Accrued payables to custodian	14		6,670	5,951
Accrued payable to PenCom	14		4,136	3,691
Fund management fees payable	14		5,780	6,744
Other liabilities	15		15,739	19,231
Interfund liabilities	14		5,314	11,727
			<b>144,249</b>	<b>211,372</b>

Financial liabilities exclude interfund balance as this is a non financial instrument.

### 3.5 Fair value measurement

IFRS 13 requires the Fund to classify measured or disclosed fair values according to hierarchy that reflects the significance of observable inputs

IFRS 13 specifies a hierarchy of valuation techniques based on whether the inputs to those valuation techniques are observable or unobservable. Observable input reflect market data obtained from independent sources; unobservable inputs reflect the Fund's market assumptions.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, which comprises three levels as described below, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole.

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**Fair value methods and assumptions**

Financial assets are measured at fair value and ultimate redemption value (amortised cost) while financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost.

- Level 1: Inputs that are quoted market prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arms length basis. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Fund is the current bid price. The fair value determined for all federal government bonds and quoted equity instruments fall with this category.

- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices). This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active, or other valuation technique in which all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data. This category is for valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable. The fair value determined for state government bonds, corporate bonds, treasury bills, commercial papers and mutual funds fall within this category.

- Level 3: Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs). This category includes all assets and liabilities for which the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable date and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the asset or liability's valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments for which significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments. This hierarchy requires the use of observable market data when available. The Pension Fund administrator considers relevant and observable market prices in its valuations where possible. The fair value determined for the unquoted equity instruments falls within this category.

**Financial instruments not measured at fair value**

	31 December 2023		31 December 2022	
	Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value
	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
<b>Financial assets</b>				
Federal government bonds	26,796,027	24,493,068	24,430,567	24,493,068
State government bonds	894,801	696,110	743,384	696,110
Corporate bonds	8,137,345	6,981,795	7,692,215	6,981,795
Treasury bills	321,541	-	-	-
Commercial papers	2,175,365	402,186	385,929	402,186
Promisory note	0	129,840	136,304	129,840
Cash and cash equivalents	1,266,443	1,266,443	3,778,153	3,778,153
Other assets	407,620	407,620	2,329	2,329
Impairment	(67,830)	-	(56,561)	-
	<b>39,931,311</b>	<b>34,377,062</b>	<b>37,112,320</b>	<b>36,483,481</b>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>				
Benefit payable	106,610	106,610	164,028	164,028
Payables to custodian and pencom	6,670	6,670	5,951	5,951
Fund	5,780	5,780	6,744	6,744
Other liabilities	9,450	9,450	15,418	15,418
	<b>128,510</b>	<b>128,510</b>	<b>192,141</b>	<b>192,141</b>

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<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Financial assets</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Federal government bonds	24,493,068	-	-	24,493,068
State government bonds	696,110	-	-	696,110
Corporate bonds	6,981,795	-	-	6,981,795
Treasury bills	-	-	-	-
Commercial papers	402,186	-	-	402,186
Promissory notes	129,840	-	-	129,840
Cash and cash equivalents	-	1,266,443	-	1,266,443
Other assets	-	407,620	-	407,620
	<b>32,703,000</b>	<b>1,674,063</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,377,062</b>
<b>31 December 2022</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Financial assets</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Federal government bonds	24,493,068	-	-	24,493,068
State government bonds	696,110	-	-	696,110
Corporate bonds	6,981,795	-	-	6,981,795
Treasury bills	-	-	-	-
Commercial papers	402,186	-	-	402,186
Promissory notes	129,840	-	-	129,840
Cash and cash equivalents	-	3,778,153	-	3,778,153
Other assets	-	2,329	-	2,329
	<b>32,703,000</b>	<b>3,780,482</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,483,482</b>

The carrying amounts of the financial liabilities approximate their fair values.

**Financial instruments measured at fair value**

<b>31 December 2023</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Financial assets</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Quoted equity investments	3,558,537	-	-	3,558,537
Unquoted equity investments	-	-	-	-
Infrastructure Fund	-	-	2,461,278	2,461,278
Private Equity Fund	-	-	1,848,656	1,848,656
Mutual funds	946,440	-	-	946,440
	<b>4,504,978</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,309,933</b>	<b>8,814,911</b>
<b>31 December 2022</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Financial assets</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Quoted equity investments	2,918,506	-	-	2,918,506
Infrastructure Fund	-	-	1,899,037	1,899,037
Private Equity Fund	-	-	765,298	765,298
Mutual funds	952,848	-	-	952,848
	<b>3,871,353</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,664,335</b>	<b>6,535,689</b>

There are no financial liabilities measured at fair value as at the reporting date.

**Transfers between the fair value hierarchy categories**

During the three reporting periods covered by these financial statements, there was no movement between levels as a result of significant inputs to the fair valuation process becoming observable or unobservable.

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**Fair value measurement using significant unobservable inputs (level 3)**

The following table presents the changes in level 3 items for the periods ended 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

	Infrastructure funds N'000	Private equity funds N'000	Total N'000
Opening balance 1 January 2022	1,503,616	929,070	2,432,686
Acquisitions	321,831	-	321,831
Disposals	-	(12,258)	(12,258)
(Losses)/Gains recognised in profit/loss	73,590	(151,514)	(77,924)
<b>Closing balance 31 December 2022</b>	<b>1,899,037</b>	<b>765,298</b>	<b>2,664,335</b>
Acquisitions	8,092	56,184	64,275
Disposals	-	-	-
Gains/(Losses) recognised in profit/ loss	554,148	1,027,174	1,581,322
<b>Closing balance 31 December 2023</b>	<b>2,461,278</b>	<b>1,848,656</b>	<b>4,309,933</b>

Level 3 financial instruments relates to unlisted instruments and since quoted market prices are not available, the fair value were derived from the Net asset valuation based on fund manager's report.

Information about the fair value measurements using significant unobservable Inputs (Level 3)

Description	Fair value at 31 December 2023	Valuation technique	Unobservable input	Share of Net assets	Reasonable possible shift +/- (absolute value)	Change in valuation (+/-)
<b>Infrastructure Fund</b>						
Infrastructure Fund	2,461,278	Net asset valuation based on fund manager's report	Net asset valuation	2,461,278	10%	246,128
NIDF	946,440			946,440		94,644
<b>Private Equity Fund</b>						
Private Equity Fund	1,848,656	Net asset valuation based on fund manager's report	Net asset valuation	1,848,656	10%	184,866
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,256,374</b>					

Description	Fair value at 31 December 2022	Valuation technique	Unobservable input	Share of Net assets	Reasonable possible shift +/- (absolute value)	Change in valuation (+/-)
<b>Infrastructure Fund</b>						
Infrastructure Fund	1,899,037	Net asset valuation based on fund manager's report	Net asset valuation	1,899,037	10%	189,904
NIDF	952,848			952,848		95,285
<b>Private Equity Fund</b>						
Private Equity Fund	765,298	Net asset valuation based on fund manager's report	Net asset valuation	765,298	10%	76,530
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,617,183</b>					

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**4) Significant estimates and judgement**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions in the process of applying the Fund's accounting policies that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected

The key assumption concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty as at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are described below:

**4.1 Allowances for credit losses**

The measurement of the expected credit loss allowance for debt financial assets measured at amortised cost is an area that requires the use of complex models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behaviour (e.g. the likelihood of counter party defaulting and the resulting losses). Explanation of the inputs, assumptions and techniques used in measuring ECL is further detailed in note 2.6 (g)

A number of significant judgements are also required in applying the accounting requirements for measuring ECL, such as:

- Determining criteria for significant increase in credit risk;
- Choosing appropriate models and assumptions for the measurement of ECL;
- Establishing the number and relative weightings of forward-looking scenarios for each type of security and the associated ECL; and
- Establishing groups of similar financial assets for the purposes of measuring ECL.

**4.2 Fair value measurement of financial instruments**

When the fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded or disclosed in the financial statements cannot be measured based on quoted prices in active markets, their fair value is measured using valuation techniques including the discounted cash flow (DCF) model. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values. Judgements include considerations of inputs such as liquidity risk, credit risk and volatility. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments. See Note 3.5 for further disclosures.

**4.3 Asset liability matching**

Asset and liability matching entails projecting specific timing of cash flows of financial assets to ensure that there is sufficient liquidity available for meeting obligations as they fall due. The Fund has demonstrated its ability to match its investment assets to its obligations. Therefore, all investments assets except equity investments and mutual funds have been measured at amortised cost. The Fund Administrator made the following assumptions:

- the Fund will be in existence for the period covered by the matching;
- growth in payables by 10% from 2020-2025. This is driven mainly by the membership of the Fund and the expected competitive business environment in the period under reference; and
- all members of the Fund will live out the estimated lifespan.

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5	<b>Contributions during the year</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
	Employer/employee contributions	3,568,744	3,590,096
		<u>3,568,744</u>	<u>3,590,096</u>
6	<b>Other income</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
	Foreign exchange gain/(loss) on dollar denominated bank balances	162,224	(97,116)
	Miscellaneous income	-	7,998
	Realised loss on quoted equities	(11,678)	-
	Realised gain on equities	35,893	-
	Realised loss on corporate euro bond	-	-
	profit on disposal of bonds	-	-
		<u>186,438</u>	<u>(89,118)</u>
	Miscellaneous Income relates to reversal of excess accruals for expenses in prior year no longer required.		
7	<b>Benefits paid</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
	Payments to and on account of leavers	3,487,648	484,295
	Pension payments to retirees	2,859,816	951,211
	Death benefit	6,465	43,125
	Contributions on account of leavers	1,170,956	872,430
		<u>7,524,884</u>	<u>2,351,061</u>
8	<b>Administrative expenses</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
	Audit fees	11,790	7,627
	Other expenses	-	133
		<u>11,790</u>	<u>7,760</u>
9	<b>Investment income</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
	<b>Income from investments at fair value</b>		
	Dividend income	196,291	229,773
	Income from infrastructure fund	235,472	111,303
	Income from equities	13,666	33,678
		<u>445,429</u>	<u>374,754</u>
	<b>Interest income calculated using the effective interest rate method</b>		
	Income from federal government bonds	3,255,967	2,881,638
	Income from state government bonds	104,507	91,383
	Income from supranational bonds	-	-
	Income from corporate bonds	936,665	757,658
	Income from treasury bills	13,348	11,553
	Income from commercial papers	293,565	146,414
	Income from promissory notes	9,568	9,978
		<u>4,613,619</u>	<u>3,898,624</u>
	Income from cash and cash equivalent	380,170	267,763
	Total income from investment at amortised cost	<u>4,993,789</u>	<u>4,166,387</u>

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<b>10 Investment management expenses</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Pension fund administrator fees	73,284	74,062
Pension fund custodian fees	74,240	65,850
Regulatory fees	46,587	40,839
	<b>194,110</b>	<b>180,751</b>

<b>11 Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Dollar domiciliary account	17,157	293
Current account	49,497	15,818
Short term deposits	1,199,789	3,762,042
	<b>1,266,443</b>	<b>3,778,153</b>

All cash and cash equivalents are current in nature.

The Fund assessed its money in bank accounts, including amounts held as term deposits to determine their expected credit losses. Based on this assessment, it was identified that the expected losses as at 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023 were insignificant as the loss rate is nil. All cash and cash equivalents are assessed to be in stage 1.

<b>12 Investments</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
<b>12.1 Investments at fair value</b>		
Quoted equity investments	3,558,537	2,918,506
Infrastructure Fund	2,461,278	1,899,037
Private Equity Fund	1,848,656	765,298
Mutual funds	946,440	952,848
	<b>8,814,911</b>	<b>6,535,689</b>

All investments at fair value are non-current in nature.

<b>12.1.1 Movement in investments at fair value</b>	<b>Opening balance N'000</b>	<b>Additions N'000</b>	<b>Disposals N'000</b>	<b>Changes in value of investments N'000</b>	<b>Closing balance N'000</b>
<b>31 December 2023</b>					
Quoted equity investments	2,918,506	-	(698,509)	1,338,541	3,558,537
Infrastructure Fund	1,899,037	8,092	-	554,148	2,461,278
Private Equity Fund	765,298	56,184	-	1,027,174	1,848,656
Mutual funds	952,848	-	(799,533)	793,126	946,440
	<b>6,535,689</b>	<b>64,276</b>	<b>(1,498,042)</b>	<b>3,712,989</b>	<b>8,814,911</b>
<b>31 December 2022</b>					
Quoted equity investments	2,854,030	82,139	-	(17,663)	2,918,506
Infrastructure Fund	1,503,616	321,831	-	73,590	1,899,037
Private Equity Fund	929,070	-	(12,258)	(151,514)	765,298
Mutual funds	976,689	-	(114,325)	90,483	952,848
	<b>6,263,405</b>	<b>403,970</b>	<b>(126,583)</b>	<b>(5,104)</b>	<b>6,535,689</b>

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<b>12.1.2 Changes in value of Investments</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Foreign exchange gain on investments at fair value	-	-
Fair value (loss)/ gain on investments at fair value	3,712,989	(5,104)
	<u>3,712,989</u>	<u>(5,104)</u>
<b>12.2 Investments at amortised cost</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Federal government bonds	26,796,027	24,430,567
State government bonds	894,801	743,384
Corporate bonds	8,137,345	7,692,215
Treasury bills	321,541	(0)
Commercial papers	2,175,365	385,929
Promissory notes	0	136,304
	<u>38,325,078</u>	<u>33,388,399</u>
Impairment on financial asset	(67,830)	(56,561)
	<u>38,257,248</u>	<u>33,331,838</u>
Analysed as follows:		
Current	3,578,138	1,467,161
Non current	34,679,111	31,864,677
	<u>38,257,248</u>	<u>33,331,838</u>
<b>12.2.1 Reconciliation of impairment</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
At the beginning of the year	(56,561)	(51,590)
Impairment (Charge)/Write back for the year	(11,270)	(4,971)
At the end of the year	<u>(67,830)</u>	<u>(56,561)</u>
<b>13 Other assets</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Other receivables	<u>407,620</u>	<u>2,329</u>

The Fund has assessed other receivables to determine their expected credit losses. Based on this assessment, it was identified that the expected losses as at 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023 were insignificant as the loss rate is nil. All other assets are assessed to be in stage 1 and are expected to be received within 30 days.

Other receivables include contribution due not received.

All other receivables are current in nature as they are receivable within one year.

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<b>14 Benefits and fees liabilities</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Benefits payable	106,610	164,028
Accrued payables to custodian	6,670	5,951
Accrued payables to PenCom	4,136	3,691
Interfund balance- payables	5,314	11,727
Fund management fees payable (see note 18)	5,780	6,744
	<b>128,510</b>	<b>192,141</b>

All benefits and fees liabilities are current in nature as they fall due within one year.

<b>15 Other liabilities</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Accrued audit fees	10,681	7,089
Other payables	5,058	12,142
	<b>15,739</b>	<b>19,231</b>

All other liabilities are current in nature as they fall due within one year.

**16 Tax status of the fund**

Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited New Fund has been approved by the tax authorities i.e. the Federal Inland Revenue Services (FIRS) and the Fund is exempt from income tax on its income from all investments.

**17 Contingent liabilities and commitments**

At the reporting date, the Fund had no pending litigations and commitments (2022:nil).

**18 Related party transactions**

The Fund Administrator, Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited, is wholly owned by Nigerian Breweries Plc.

During the year, the Fund Administrator charged the Fund N73 million (2022: N74 million) (VAT Exclusive) being 0.13% (2022: 0.15%) of the monthly net asset as fund administration fees. The fund management fees payable to Progress Trust (CPFA) Limited at 31 December 2023 was N5.7 million (2022: N6.7 million) (See note 14).

**19 Events after the reporting date**

There are no events that occurred after the reporting date that are deemed to have an adjusting effect on the financial statements (2022:nil)

**20 Cash flow workings**

<b>(a) Other assets</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>31 December 2023 N'000</b>	<b>31 December 2022 N'000</b>
Balance at the beginning of the year	13	2,329	2,329
Cash inflow		405,290	-
Balance as at end of the year	13	<b>407,620</b>	<b>2,329</b>

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		<b>31 December</b>	<b>31 December</b>
		<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
<b>(b) Other liabilities</b>			
Balance at the beginning of the year	15	19,231	11,458
Cash outflow		(3,492)	7,773
Balance as at end of the year	15	<u>15,739</u>	<u>19,231</u>
<b>(c) Benefits and fees liabilities</b>			
Balance at the beginning of the year	14	192,141	1,312,559
Cash outflow		(63,631)	(1,120,418)
Balance as at end of the year	14	<u>128,510</u>	<u>192,141</u>
<b>(d) Investment securities</b>			
Balance at the beginning of the year	12.2	33,388,399	27,887,841
Redemption of treasury bills		-	(842,500)
Acquisition of treasury bills		350,000	-
Redemption of FGN bonds		-	(1,395,920)
Acquisition of FGN bonds		310,508	5,776,414
Redemption of corporate bonds		-	-
Acquisition of corporate bonds		443,087	2,617,000
Acquisition of commercial papers		3,815,014	420,858
Redemption of commercial papers		(1,872,733)	(2,768,709)
Redemption of promisory note		(145,871)	-
Acquisition of promisory note		-	-
Acquisition of promisory note		-	-
Interest receivable on investment securities		2,036,674	1,693,415
Balance as at end of the year	12.2	<u>38,325,078</u>	<u>33,388,399</u>
<b>(e) Interest received</b>			
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>31 December</b>	<b>31 December</b>
		<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>N'000</b>	<b>N'000</b>
Interest income	9	4,613,619	3,898,624
Interest receivable at the end of the year (see note 20(d))		(2,036,674)	3,807,143
Interest received		<u>2,576,945</u>	<u>7,705,767</u>

**21 Non Audit services**

The external auditors did not provide any non-audit service during the year.(2022: Nil)

## **Other National Disclosures**

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	<b>31 December 2023</b>		<b>31 December 2022</b>	
	<b>N'000</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>N'000</b>	<b>%</b>
Gross income	9,315,586	74	4,434,188	58
Bought-in services (Local)	(194,110)	(2)	(180,751)	(2)
Total contributions	<u>3,568,744</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>3,590,096</u>	<u>44</u>
<b>Value added</b>	<u>12,690,220</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>7,843,534</u>	<u>100</u>
Applied as follows:				
<b>To pay members</b>				
Retirement benefits paid	7,524,885	59	2,351,062	30
<b>To provide for enhancement of assets and growth:</b>				
Surplus retained in the Fund	<u>5,165,336</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>5,492,472</u>	<u>70</u>
<b>Value added</b>	<u>12,690,221</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>7,843,534</u>	<u>100</u>

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**Statement of net assets available for benefits**

	IFRS				NGAAP
	2023 N'000	2022 N'000	2021 N'000	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	1,266,443	3,778,153	5,159,289	643,701	3,102,898
- Investments at fair value	8,814,911	6,535,689	6,263,405	6,218,247	3,991,308
- Investment at amortised cost	38,257,248	33,331,838	27,836,251	27,131,803	21,234,909
Other assets	407,620	2,329	9,236	988	8,328
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>48,746,223</b>	<b>43,648,009</b>	<b>39,268,181</b>	<b>33,994,739</b>	<b>28,337,443</b>
<b>Financed by:</b>					
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Benefits and fees liabilities	128,510	192,141	1,312,557	131,164	142,729
Other liabilities	15,739	19,231	11,458	7,431	8,824
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>144,249</b>	<b>211,372</b>	<b>1,324,015</b>	<b>138,595</b>	<b>151,553</b>
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>	<b>48,601,974</b>	<b>43,436,637</b>	<b>37,944,165</b>	<b>33,856,143</b>	<b>28,185,889</b>

**Statement of changes in net assets available for benefits**

	IFRS				NGAAP
	2023 N'000	2022 N'000	2021 N'000	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
<b>Financial result</b>					
Members contribution	-	-	-	-	-
Employer contributions	3,568,744	3,590,096	3,377,695	1,897,669	1,723,964
Employee contributions	-	-	-	1,323,894	1,193,064
Contributions on account of leavers	(1,170,956)	(872,430)	(537,296)	(494,816)	(420,473)
<b>Benefits paid</b>					
Payments to and on account of leavers	(3,487,648)	(484,295)	(1,374,344)	(331,608)	(449,654)
Pension payments to retirees	(2,859,816)	(951,211)	(1,584,901)	(571,805)	(2,237,598)
Unitization gain paid to members	-	-	-	-	-
Death benefit	(6,465)	(43,125)	(6,373)	(35,427)	(50,083)
<b>Net additions/ (reductions) from dealings with members</b>	<b>(3,956,139)</b>	<b>1,239,036</b>	<b>(125,217)</b>	<b>1,787,908</b>	<b>(240,780)</b>
Net returns on investment:					
Investment income	5,439,218	4,541,140	3,928,663	3,616,369	3,709,078
Profit/(loss) on disposal of investments	-	-	-	-	-
Change in value of investments	3,712,988	(5,104)	432,040	436,738	(243,396)
Investment management expenses	(194,110)	(180,751)	(174,669)	(150,704)	(128,797)
Impairment on financial assets	(11,270)	(4,971)	16,446	(12,171)	12,441
Other income	186,438	(89,118)	17,392	1,201	7,316
Administrative expenses	(11,790)	(7,760)	(6,632)	(9,086)	(8,256)
<b>Increase in net assets available for</b>	<b>5,165,336</b>	<b>5,492,472</b>	<b>4,088,021</b>	<b>5,670,255</b>	<b>3,107,605</b>
Net assets available for benefit at the beginning of the year	43,436,637	37,944,165	33,856,144	28,185,890	25,078,284
Changes on initial application of IFRS 9	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net assets available for benefits at the end of the year</b>	<b>48,601,972</b>	<b>43,436,637</b>	<b>37,944,165</b>	<b>33,856,145</b>	<b>28,185,889</b>