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**AUDIT SERVICES
CORPORATION**

ETHIO-TELECOM
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
30 JUNE 2024

Ethio telecom
 Financial Statements
 For the year ended 30 June 2024
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 Management Board and Executive Management

Management Board

H.E Ato Temesgen Tiruneh	Chairperson	Appointed	09 February 2024
H.E Dr Eyob Tekalign	Member	Appointed	03 February 2020
Ato Yodahe Arayasilassie	Member	Appointed	03 February 2020
Ato Worku Gachena	Member	Appointed	03 February 2020
Ato Muluneh Desalegn	Member	Appointed	03 February 2020
Ato Kassahun Seboka	Member	Appointed	03 February 2020

Executive management

W/t Frehiwot Tamiru	Chief Executive Officer
Ato Asseged Ayele Wendimkun	Chief Finance Officer
Ato Mesay Woubshet Bekele	Chief Communications Officer
Ato Teressa Belete Gudeta	Chief Customer Services Officer
Ato Said Aragaw Ahmed	Chief Marketing Officer
Ato Mahdi Jemal Shikur	Chief Strategic Planning and Program Management Officer
Ato Lemma Tesemma Yimere	Chief Legal Officer
Ato Tsegaye Emanuel Mekael	Chief Information Security Officer
Ato Endale Asrat Asfaw	Chief Information System Officer
W/ro Beletu Delamo Dindamo	Chief Supply Chain Officer
Ato Solomon Abera Molla	Customer Experience and Quality Management
Ato Mohammed Haji Abdulahi	Chief Sales Officer
Ato Tewodros H/meskel	Chief Network Officer
Ato Tesfaye Yemane Jembere	Chief Security Officer
Ato Tesfaye Tadesse Woldesemayat	Chief Network Infrastructure Officer
Ato Tariku Demissie Gebre	Chief Technology Officer
Ato Chalew Demlie Anteneh	Chief Wireless Network Officer
Ato Ayele Adugna Amanu	Chief Telecom Excellence Academy Officer
Ato Aynalem Albene Ayele	Chief Fleet and Facilities Officer
Ato Tilahun Negash Guta	Chief Human Resources Officer
Ato Zerihun Chekol Ejigu	A/Chief Internal Audit Officer
Ato Abebe Ambaw Aredo	Chief Service Operation Center Officer
Ato Bruk Adhana Haile	Chief Mobile Money Business Officer



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 Addis Ababa Branch
 Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

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 Report of the Management Board

The management board members submit their report together with the financial statements for the Year ended 30 June 2024 to Ethiopian Investment Holdings (EIH).

Incorporation and address

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Principal activities

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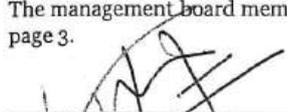
Results

The Enterprise’s results for the Year ended 30 June 2024 are set out on page 11. The profit for the period has been transferred to retained earnings. The summarised results are presented below.

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Revenue from contracts with customers	91,371,290	71,525,993
Profit before income tax	29,790,459	28,186,778
Income tax charge	(10,777,016)	(10,158,764)
Net profit / (loss) for the period	19,013,443	18,028,014
Other comprehensive income / (loss) net of taxes	(130,477)	130,233
Total comprehensive income / (loss) for the period	18,882,966	18,158,247

Management Board

The management board members who held office during the year and to the date of this report are set out on page 3.


 H.E Ato Terjesgen Tiruneh
 Management Board Chairperson
 16 August 2024



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Statement of management board's responsibilities

In accordance with the Financial Reporting Proclamation No. 847/2014, the Accounting and Auditing Board of Ethiopia (AABE) has directed the Enterprise to prepare financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS").

The Enterprise's management board is responsible for ensuring proper books of accounts are kept.

To enable the management board to meet this responsibility, the management board and executive management implement systems of internal control, accounting and information systems aimed at providing reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded and the risk of error, fraud or loss is reduced in a cost-effective manner. These controls, contained in established policies and procedures, include the proper delegation of responsibilities and authorities within a clearly defined framework, effective accounting procedures and adequate segregation of duties.

Nothing has come to the attention of the management board to indicate that the Enterprise will not remain a going concern for at least twelve months from the date of this statement.

Signed on behalf of the management board by:


H.E. Ato Temesgen Tiruneh
Management Board Chairperson
16 August 2024





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Office of the Federal Auditor General
Audit Services Corporation

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE SUPERVISING AUTHORITY OF
ETHIO-TELECOM**

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Ethio-Telecom (the Enterprise), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

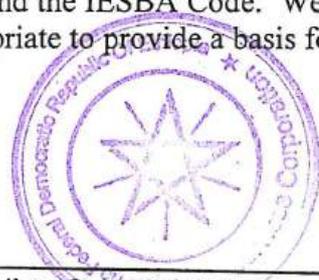
In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Enterprise as at 30 June 2024 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

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 Enterprise in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code)* together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Ethiopia, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with those 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.



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE SUPERVISING AUTHORITY OF
ETHIO-TELECOM (continued)**

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

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.

Revenue

A risk is that accounting principles for revenue recognition may be subject to differing interpretations. There may be a risk that management is inflating income by improperly recognizing revenue related to agreements with terms that preclude revenue recognition or by recording services before they are rendered or invoicing before products are delivered. In our response to these risks, we made a selection of transactions from source records and tested the completeness of the source records by ensuring their numerical sequence. We checked that data was input only once and was subject to validation. We selected a sample of individual transactions to determine the propriety of their recognition during the year. We scanned the revenue records to check whether there was any duplication of document numbers or gaps in the sequence of document numbers to identify documents cancelled, if any. We judgmentally selected a number of transactions each before and after the closing date to test the cut off procedures and controls. We determined that the accounting policies and methods of revenue recognition were appropriate and were applied consistently. Our testing did not identify major weaknesses in the design and operation of controls that would have required us to expand the nature or scope of our planned detailed test work. Overall, we found no concerns in respect to the recording of revenue at appropriate values.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines 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, management is responsible for assessing the Enterprise's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Enterprise or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE SUPERVISING AUTHORITY OF
ETHIO-TELECOM (continued)**

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements (continued)

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Enterprise's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism 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 Enterprise's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.



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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE SUPERVISING AUTHORITY OF
ETHIO-TELECOM (continued)**

Report on Other Matter

Additional Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

Management is responsible for the additional information. The additional information comprises the information included in the Management Board and Executive Management, in the report of the Management Board, and in the statement of Management Board's responsibilities, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the additional information and, in so doing, consider whether the additional 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 that we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this additional information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Audit Services Corporation

16 August 2024



Ethio telecom
Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Revenue from contracts with customers	5	91,371,290	71,525,993
Direct costs	6(a)	(25,606,800)	(18,708,212)
Operating expenses	6(b)	(28,606,550)	(20,310,509)
Net impairment losses on financial asset	14(b)	(232,387)	(347,607)
Other income (expense)	8	4,294,494	5,460,102
Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA)		41,220,047	37,619,767
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	11	(7,529,546)	(5,785,449)
Depreciation charge of right of use asset	12	(424,275)	(383,706)
Amortization intangible assets	13	(403,420)	(323,310)
Depreciation charge of Investment Property	13(a)	(4,395)	(4,395)
		(8,361,636)	(6,496,860)
Operating profit		32,858,411	31,122,907
Finance income	9	10,607	31,764
Finance costs	9	(3,078,559)	(2,967,893)
Finance costs - net		(3,067,952)	(2,936,129)
Profit before income tax		29,790,459	28,186,778
Income tax (expense) / credit	10(a)	(10,777,016)	(10,158,764)
Profit after tax		19,013,443	18,028,014
Other comprehensive income (OCI) net on income tax			
<i>Items that will not be subsequently reclassified into profit or loss:</i>			
Remeasurement gain/(loss) on post employment benefits obligations	18	(186,396)	186,047
Deferred tax (liability)/asset on remeasurement gain or loss	10(a)	55,919	(55,814)
		(130,477)	130,233
Total comprehensive income for the Year		18,882,966	18,158,247

The Notes on pages 15 to 55 are an integral part of these financial statements.



Ethio telecom
Statement of financial position
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 As Restated Birr'000
ASSETS			
Non current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	11	141,548,616	129,838,499
Right of use assets	12	1,247,275	1,207,765
Intangible assets	13	1,864,563	1,293,718
Investment Property	13(a)	209,291	213,686
Other assets	14(a)	261	310
Other financial assets at amortised cost	14(c)	7,101,156	7,101,156
Deferred tax Assets	10(d)	3,569,757	3,656,360
		<u>155,540,919</u>	<u>143,311,494</u>
Current assets			
Inventories	15	14,921,202	11,036,300
Other assets	14(a)	4,565,762	2,974,275
Trade receivables	14(b)	9,505,447	6,773,369
Other financial assets at amortised cost	14(c)	15,188	2,019,741
Cash and cash equivalents	16	29,643,117	33,544,592
		<u>58,650,716</u>	<u>56,348,277</u>
Total assets		<u>214,191,635</u>	<u>199,659,771</u>
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	17	13,001,808	16,927,715
Provisions	19(c)	159,549	127,778
Lease liabilities	12	731,928	647,210
Grants		455	497
Defined benefit liabilities	18	956,574	597,441
		<u>14,850,314</u>	<u>18,300,641</u>
Current liabilities			
Borrowings	17	4,683,898	5,212,627
Contract liabilities	19(a)	8,099,163	8,231,309
Trade and other payables	19(b)	63,901,534	53,636,335
Provisions	19(c)	20,198	31,956
Lease liabilities	12	298,352	341,037
Grants		21	23
Defined benefit liabilities	18	51,077	76,288
Dividend payable			2,304,066
Current income tax	10 (c)	8,793,560	7,245,392
		<u>85,847,803</u>	<u>77,079,033</u>
Total liabilities		<u>100,698,117</u>	<u>95,379,674</u>
Equity attributable to owners			
Capital	20	100,000,000	100,000,000
Retained earnings		10,201,823	1,808,599
Legal reserve	21	3,251,996	2,301,324
Other reserves	22	39,697	170,174
Total equity		<u>113,493,516</u>	<u>104,280,097</u>
Total equity and liabilities		<u>214,191,635</u>	<u>199,659,771</u>

The Notes on pages 15 to 55 are an integral part of these financial statements.



Ethio telecom
Statement of changes in equity
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	Capital		Retained earnings	Legal reserve	Other reserves	Total equity
		Birr'000	Birr'000				
As at 30 June 2022		100,000,000	115,086	1,399,923	39,941	101,554,950	
Profit for the period			18,028,014			18,028,014	
<i>Transaction with owners in their capacity as owners:</i>							
Transfer to Legal Reserve			(901,401)	901,401			
<i>Other comprehensive income:</i>							
Re-measurement gains/(loss) on defined benefit plans (net of tax)	22				130,233	130,233	
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	17,126,613	901,401	130,233	18,158,247	
As at 30 Jun 2023 as previously reported		100,000,000	17,241,702	2,301,324	170,174	119,713,200	
Adjustment on Note 15 and 23			(15,433,102)				
As Restated		100,000,000	1,808,599	2,301,324	170,174	104,280,097	
Profit for the year			19,013,443			19,013,443	
<i>Transaction with owners in their capacity as owners:</i>							
Dividends Payment							
Transfer to Legal Reserve			(9,669,545)	950,672		(9,669,545)	
<i>Other comprehensive income:</i>							
Re-measurement gains/(loss) on defined benefit plans (net of tax)	22				(130,477)	(130,477)	
Total comprehensive income for the period		-	8,393,226	950,672	(130,477)	9,213,421	
As at 30 June 2024		100,000,000	10,201,823	3,251,996	39,697	113,493,516	



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Statement of cash flows
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Notes	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	24	43,183,292	43,771,628
Interest income received	9	10,607	30,986
Interest expense paid	17a&b,12	(799,560)	(1,042,711)
Income tax paid	10 (c)	(8,823,074)	(10,560,943)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities		33,571,265	32,198,961
Cash flows from investing activities			
Settlement of Treasury Note receivable from MoF			650,000
Purchase of intangible assets	13	(575,329)	(8,678)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	11	(19,660,923)	(17,895,120)
Payment for right of use assets		(3,365)	(6,324)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		146,836	187,162
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from investing activities		(20,092,781)	(17,072,960)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayments of borrowings	18	(5,893,223)	(6,610,985)
Principal elements of lease payments	12	(406,240)	(395,338)
Payment of Dividend		(9,973,611)	(2,500,000)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from financing activities		(16,273,075)	(9,506,323)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(2,794,590)	5,619,678
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	16	33,544,592	28,191,157
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalent	16	(1,106,885)	(266,244)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	16	29,643,117	33,544,592

The Notes on pages 15 to 55 are an integral part of these financial statements.



1 General information

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2 Accounting policies

2.a Introduction to accounting policies

The accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to the comparatives presented, unless otherwise stated.

2.b Basis of preparation

The complete set of financial statements for the year ended on 30 June 2024 have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The financial statements comprise the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of financial position, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements.

The measurement basis applied is the historical cost basis except where otherwise stated in the accounting policies . Under the historical cost basis, assets are recorded at the amount of cash or cash equivalents paid or the fair value of the consideration given to acquire them at the time of their acquisition. Liabilities are recorded at the amount of proceeds received in exchange for the obligation or, in some cases, at the amounts of cash or cash equivalents expected to be paid to satisfy the liability in the normal course of business.

For those assets and liabilities measured at fair value, fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. When measuring the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Enterprise uses market observable data as far as possible. If the fair value of an asset or a liability is not directly observable, it is estimated by the Enterprise using valuation techniques that maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs (e.g. by use of the market comparable approach that reflects recent transaction prices for similar items or discounted cash flow analysis). Inputs used are consistent with the characteristics of the asset / liability that market participants would take into account.

Fair values are categorised into three levels of fair value hierarchy based on the degree to which the inputs to the measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety:

Level 1 – fair value measurements are derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – fair value measurements are derived from inputs other than quoted prices used in Level 1 that are observable for the assets or liabilities, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

Level 3 – fair values measurements are derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for assets or liabilities that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The preparation of the complete set of financial statements 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 Enterprise's accounting policies. Changes in assumptions may have a significant impact on the financial statements in the period the assumptions changed. 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 3.



2.c Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. Nothing has come to the attention of Board of Directors to indicate that the Enterprise will not remain a going concern for at least twelve months from the date of approval of these financial statements for issue.

2.d Changes in accounting policies and disclosures

2.d(i) New Standards, amendments, interpretations not yet effective but earlier adopted by the Enterprise

There are no new standards and amendments to standards and interpretations that are not mandatory for the period ending 30 June 2024 but have been early adopted by the Enterprise.

2.d(ii) New Standards, amendments, interpretations not yet effective and not early adopted by the Enterprise

There are no standards, amendments, interpretations that are not yet effective and that would be expected to have a material impact on the Enterprise in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions except IFRS S1 General Requirement for Disclosure of Sustainability related financial information, IFRS S2 Sustainability Disclosure standard Climate related information Disclosures effective on or after 1 January 2024, IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements effective on or after 1 January 2027 and IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures effective on or after 1 January 2027.

2.e Foreign currency translation

2.e(i) Functional and Presentation Currency

Items included in the financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the Enterprise operates ('the Functional Currency'). Both the Functional Currency and Presentation Currency of the Enterprise is the Ethiopian Birr (Birr) rounded to the nearest thousand (Birr '000).

2.e(ii) 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 exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the Enterprise's functional currency are recognised in profit or loss within other (loss)/income. Monetary items denominated in foreign currency are translated using the closing rate as at the reporting date.



2.f Recognition of revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue is measured based on the consideration specified in a contract with a customer and excludes amounts collected on behalf of third parties. Revenue is recognised to depict the transfer of goods/services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration that the Enterprise is entitled to.

The Enterprise principally generates revenue from providing telecommunication services, such as access to the network, airtime usage, messaging, internet services, cloud solution service, Infrastructure rent (Collocation) and sales of mobile devices as well as from digital financial services, Telebirr. Products and services may be sold separately or in bundled packages. The typical average term of a contract for the products and services ranges from 24 months to 72 months.

For bundled packages, the Enterprise accounts for individual products and services separately if they are distinct i.e. if a product or service is separately identifiable from other items in the bundled package and if a customer can benefit from it. The consideration is allocated between separate products and services in a bundle based on their stand-alone selling prices. The stand-alone selling prices are determined based on the list prices at which the Enterprise sells the mobile devices, extended warranty and telecommunication services. For items that are not sold separately, the Enterprise estimates stand-alone selling prices using the adjusted market assessment approach.

The Enterprise typically satisfies its performance obligations over time with the exception of the sale of devices which occurs at a point in time. The nature of its performance obligations for services arising from provisions of voice, data, platforms, leases, internet, and SMS. The Enterprise uses the output method /how much the subscribers used or consumed in the traffic) to recognise revenue from contracts with customers as this method provides a faithful depiction of the transfer of goods or services to its customers.

The Enterprise has applied customer churn rates which represent the average life a customer stays connected on its mobile, fixed line and data services. This typically ranges between 24 to 72 months. The Enterprises uses average customer life in accounting for contract liabilities to generate revenue from upfront and CAF commissions, connection, installation, and reconnection services over time.

The churn rate is also applied to determine contract assets arising from contract acquisition costs relates to customer applications commissions and dealers upfront commissions settled in advance. Contract liabilities relate mainly to unused airtime and other revenue (connection, reconnection and installation fees received) where the Enterprise has not fulfilled performance obligations to customers.

The Enterprise derives revenue from the transfer of goods and services over time and at a point in time from the following major product lines:



2.f(i) Revenue recognised over time

Products and services	Nature
Voice revenue	This revenue arises from outgoing domestic and international voice calls including premium rate calls and directory enquires.
SMS/MMS revenue	This revenue arises from outgoing domestic and international SMS (Short Message Service) and MMS (Multimedia Message Service) including bulk SMS services.
Internet revenue	Internet protocol (IP) service relates to the flow of data across the internet. IP Traffic is also commonly referred to as web traffic. This includes VSAT (Very Small Aperture Terminal) rental services. Internet revenue arises from narrowband and broadband internet services including mobile data internet.
Roaming revenue	Roaming service enables subscribers to automatically make and receive voice calls, send and receive SMS and to get mobile internet access and other services when travelling outside the geographical coverage area of the Enterprise via foreign country's operator's network.
Subscriptions revenue	Subscription revenue arises from first time activation of a service such as sim-card bought by a subscriber. It is the amount paid by the subscriber to obtain a sim-card and/or subscribe for other services.
Interconnections revenue	Interconnection revenue arises from connection between the Enterprise's network infrastructure and those owned by third parties.
Leased circuits revenue	Leased circuit service enables customers, mainly multi-national corporations and international organizations to extend the reach into key overseas locations. It provides the means to establish connectivity for Enterprise customers into their premises worldwide. Leased circuit revenue arises from International Private Leased Circuit (IPLC) facility with secure digital point-to-point leased line service between two international locations
Hybrid services revenue	Hybrid services enables a subscriber to use voice, data and SMS services on a SIM card with both prepaid and postpaid payment features. Hybrid services revenue arises from voice, data and SMS services on hybrid SIM account plan.
Infrastructure sharing revenue	Infrastructure sharing service revenue arising from renting of sites, building, shelters, ground space, towers, masts, power supply, generators, UPS, poles, main/commercial power supply, air conditioner, transmission capacity, switching room collocation, and other services like physical security.
Short code revenue	Short codes (also known as short numbers) are special telephone numbers, significantly shorter than full telephone numbers that can be used to address SMS, MMS and voice. Short code revenue arises from SMS, MMS and Voice services to three or four digit numbers subscribed by businesses.
Digital finance service fees	The revenue generated from the digital financial service include maintenance fee for micro credit in collaboration with other financial institutions.



2.f(ii) Revenue recognised at a point in time

Products and services	Nature
Devices revenue	Devices are fixed and mobile devices available for customers to buy from the Enterprise such as handsets, mobile wifi, dongles which enable customers to access the Enterprise's services. Devices revenue arises from sale of fixed and mobile devices to customers.
Airtime credit service revenue	Airtime credit service (ACS) revenue relates to fees charged on customers to access airtime on credit. The enterprise offers this service in partnership with an agent who earns 20% of the fees charged. This 80% fees earned by Ethio Telecom are recognised as revenue at a point in time.
Digital financial service fees	Financial Service Commission is arising from services Provided which includes Cash in, Cash out, Airtime top up, various utility payment, Cash transfer, fund raising, mobile Remittance and merchant transaction payments and micro loan services to its customers.

2.g Interest income and expense

For all government bills measured at amortised cost, interest income or expense is measured and recognized 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 asset or financial liability. The calculation takes into account all contractual terms of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment options) 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 asset or financial liability is adjusted if the Enterprise revises its estimates of payments or receipts. The adjusted carrying amount is calculated based on the original EIR and the change in carrying amount is recorded as 'interest income' for financial assets and interest expense for financial liabilities.



2.h Financial Instruments

2.h(i) Financial Assets

Classification

The Enterprise classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value (either through OCI or through profit or loss), and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the enterprise's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows of the financial asset. The Enterprise business model is just hold to maturity.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss or OCI. For investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading, this will depend on whether the Enterprise has made an irrevocable election at the time of initial recognition to account for the equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

The Enterprise reclassifies debt investments when and only when its business model for managing those assets changes.

Recognition and derecognition

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date, the date on which the Enterprise commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Enterprise has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

Measurement

At initial recognition, the Enterprise measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL), transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at FVPL are expensed in profit or loss.

Debt instruments

Subsequent measurement of debt instruments depends on the Enterprise's business model for managing the financial assets and the cash flow characteristics of the financial asset.

The Enterprise classifies its debt instruments under amortised cost measurement category for assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortised cost. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income using the effective interest rate method. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss and presented in other gains/(losses) together with foreign exchange gains and losses. Impairment losses are presented as separate line item in the statement of profit or loss.

Trade receivables and other receivables

Trade receivables are amounts due from customers for goods sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business. They are generally due for settlement within 7 - 90 days and therefore are all classified as current. Trade receivables are recognised initially at the amount of consideration as fair value that is unconditional to any circumstances.

The Enterprise holds the trade receivables with the objective to collect the contractual cash flows and therefore measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Details about the Enterprise's impairment policies and the calculation of the loss allowance are provided in Note 4 to the financial statements.

Due to the short-term nature of the current receivables and no financial components are attached, their carrying amount is considered to be a reasonable approximation of their fair value. Other receivables generally arise from transactions outside the usual operating activities of the Enterprise.



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Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, e-money, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to almost zero risk of changes in value.

2.h(ii) Financial liabilities

Borrowings

Borrowings for the Enterprise comprise of loans, notes payables, promissory notes and bank overdrafts. Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method. Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a prepayment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are removed from the statement of financial position when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled, expired or otherwise extinguished. The difference between the carrying amount of a financial liability that has been extinguished or transferred to another party and the consideration paid, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss as other income or finance costs.

Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Enterprise prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured. Trade and other payables are presented as current liabilities unless payment is not due within 12 months after the reporting period. They are recognised initially at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

2.h(iii) Impairment of financial assets

The Enterprise assesses on a forward looking basis the expected credit losses associated with its debt instruments carried at amortised cost. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

For trade receivables, the Enterprise applies the simplified approach permitted by IFRS 9, which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables, see Note 4 for further details.

2.h(iv) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position where The Enterprise has a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts, and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.



2.i Property, plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Such cost includes the cost of replacing part of the property, plant and equipment if the recognition criteria are met. When significant parts of property, plant and equipment are required to be replaced at intervals, the Enterprise recognises such parts as individual assets with specific useful lives and depreciates them accordingly. All other repair and maintenance costs are recognised in statement of profit or loss as incurred.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Enterprise and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost less residual values over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Asset class	Major category	Useful life in years	Residual value %
Network Assets	Mobile network equipment	10	1.0%
	Fixed network equipment	10	1.0%
	Transmission equipment	10	1.0%
	IP network	10	1.0%
Power Equipment	Power Equipment	5-20	1.0%
Buildings	Buildings	20 - 50	10.0%
Motor Vehicles	Motor Vehicles	5-20	5.0%
Servers	Servers	5 - 7	0.5%
Spares Parts	Spares Parts	5-20	2.0%
Other Equipment	Furniture and fittings	5 - 12	0.5%
	Other office equipment	4 - 10	1.0%

The Enterprise commences depreciation when the asset is available for use. Spare parts, standby equipment and servicing equipment are recognised as property, plant and equipment when they meet the definition of property, plant and equipment.

Capital work-in-progress is not depreciated as these assets are not yet available for use.

An item of property, plant and equipment and any significant part initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in statement of profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

The residual values, useful lives and methods of depreciation of property, plant and equipment are reviewed at each financial year end and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

Property, plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

Property, plant and equipment acquired in exchange for non-monetary assets or a combination of monetary and non-monetary assets are measured at fair value of the new asset. If the fair value cannot be determined reliably, then the exchanged asset is measured at the carrying amount of the asset given up.



Right use of free hold land

The Enterprise has owned 5,605,567 meter square free land received from the government of Ethiopia. Since 2016 IFRS adoption the Enterprise disclosed that such free land hold has been stated with nominal value as permitted by the standard. The balance shown in the free hold land has been revalued as ETB 83.7 billion in 2023 by KPMG. Their useful life are expected to be infinite and are not depreciable.

Investment Property

The Enterprise rented different buildings to lessees that will be categorized as an operating lease on different terms and the detail lists and their revenue are disclosed under Note 8 and 13 (a). The property stated at cost and depreciated using straight line method.

2.j Intangible

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. Following initial recognition, intangible assets are carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Internally generated intangibles, excluding capitalised development costs, are not capitalised and the related expenditure is reflected in statement of profit or loss in the period in which the expenditure is incurred.

The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed to be either finite or indefinite. Intangible assets with finite lives are amortised over the useful economic life. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at each financial year-end. Changes in the expected useful life, or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset, are accounted for by changing the amortisation period or methodology, as appropriate, which are then treated as changes in accounting estimates. The amortisation expenses on intangible assets with finite lives is presented as a separate line item in the statement of profit or loss.

Amortisation for intangible assets with definite useful lives is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost less residual values over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Asset class	Useful life in years
Network licenses	6-8
Softwares	6-8

i) Network licenses

Separately acquired network licences are shown at historical cost. Licences acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Licences have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate the cost of trademarks and licences over their estimated useful lives.

Telecommunication license fees are capitalised at cost and amortised over the period of the license using the straight-line method from commencement of the service of the network.

Network licences are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount

ii) Softwares

Softwares comprises softwares purchased from third parties as well as the cost of internally developed software. Software licences are capitalised on the basis of the costs incurred to acquire and bring into use the specific software. Software integral to an item of hardware equipment is classified as property, plant and equipment. Costs associated with maintaining software programmes are recognised as an expense as incurred.

2.k Impairment of non-financial assets

Intangible assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that they might be impaired. Other assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount.



2.1 Leases

The Enterprise as a lessee

The Enterprise leases various offices, warehouses, retail shops, equipment and vehicles. Rental contracts are typically made for fixed periods of 3 months to 15 years but may have extension/termination options. The extension options range between 5 years to 10 years.

Contracts may contain both lease and non-lease components. The Enterprise allocates the consideration in the contract to the lease and non-lease components based on their relative stand-alone prices. However, for leases of real estate for which the Enterprise is a lessee, it has elected not to separate lease and non-lease components and instead accounts for these as a single lease component.

Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor.

Lease liabilities

Lease liabilities include the net present value of the following lease payments:

- i) fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable
- ii) variable lease payment that are based on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date
- iii) amounts expected to be payable by the Enterprise under residual value guarantees
- iv) the exercise price of a purchase option if the Enterprise is reasonably certain to exercise that option, and
- v) payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Enterprise exercising that option.

The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease. If that rate cannot be readily determined, which is generally the case for leases in the Enterprise, the lessee's incremental borrowing rate is used, being the rate that the individual lessee would have to pay to borrow the funds necessary to obtain an asset of similar value to the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment with similar terms, security and conditions. The discounting rate applied by the Enterprise is 10% p.a which is assumed to be a representative of the Enterprise's incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments are allocated between principal and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

Payments associated with short-term leases of equipment and vehicles and all leases of low-value assets are recognised on a straight-line basis as an expense in profit or loss. Short-term leases are leases with a lease term of 12 months or less without a purchase option. Low-value assets comprise equipment and small items of office furniture.

Right of use asset

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost comprising the following:

- i) the amount of the initial measurement of lease liability
- ii) any lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received
- iii) any initial direct costs, and
- iv) restoration costs.

Restorations costs relate to estimate of costs to be incurred by the lessee in dismantling and removing the underlying asset, restoring the site on which it is located or restoring the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease. The provision for the restoration costs is recognised as a separate liability from lease liabilities.

Right-of-use assets are generally depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term on a straight-line basis. If the Enterprise is reasonably certain to exercise a purchase option, the right-of-use asset is depreciated over the underlying asset's useful life. The Enterprise applies IAS 36 - Impairment of non-current assets on the right-of-use asset the same way as in property, plant and equipment.



Lease term - extension and termination options

Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the liability. In determining the lease term, management considers all facts and circumstances that create an economic incentive to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option. Extension options (or periods after termination options) are only included in the lease term if the lease is reasonably certain to be extended (or not terminated).

Reassessment of lease terms and lease modifications that are not accounted for as a separate lease

When the Enterprise reassesses the terms of any lease (i.e. it re-assesses the probability of exercising an extension or termination option) or modifies the terms of a lease without increasing the scope of the lease or where the increased scope is not commensurate with the stand-alone price, it adjusts the carrying amount of the lease liability to reflect the payments to be made over the revised term, which are discounted at the applicable rate at the date of reassessment or modification. The carrying amount of lease liability is similarly revised when the variable element of future lease payments dependent on a rate or index is revised.

For reassessments to the lease terms, an equivalent adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right of use asset, with the revised carrying amount being depreciated over the revised lease term. However, if the carrying amount of the right of use asset is reduced to zero any further reduction in the measurement of the lease liability is recognised in profit or loss.

For lease modifications that are not accounted for as a separate lease, an equivalent adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right of use asset, with the revised carrying amount being depreciated over the revised lease term. However, for lease modifications that decrease the scope of the lease the carrying amount of the right of use asset is decreased to reflect the partial or full termination of the lease, with any resulting difference being recognised in profit or loss as a gain or loss relating to the partial or full termination of the lease.

Lease modifications that are accounted for as a separate lease

When the Enterprise modifies the terms of a lease resulting in an increase in scope and the consideration for the lease increases by an amount commensurate with a stand-alone price for the increase in scope, the Enterprise accounts for these modifications as a separate new lease. This accounting treatment equally applies to leases which the Enterprise elected the short-term lease exemption and the lease term is subsequently modified.

Residual value guarantees

The Enterprise initially estimates and recognises amounts expected to be payable under residual value guarantees as part of the lease liability. At the end of each reporting period, the expected residual values are reviewed to reflect actual residual values achieved on comparable assets and expectations about future prices.

Short term lease and low value assets

Payments associated with short-term leases and all leases of low-value assets are recognised on a straight-line basis as an expense in profit or loss. Short-term leases are leases with a lease term of 12 months or less without a purchase option. Low-value assets comprise IT equipment and small items of office furniture.

The Enterprise as a lessor

When the Enterprise acts as a lessor, it determines at lease commencement each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease.

To classify each lease, the Enterprise makes an overall assessment of whether the lease transfers to the lessee substantially all risks and rewards of ownership incidental to the ownership of the underlying asset. If this is the case, the lease is a finance lease; if not, then the lease is an operating lease. As part of this assessment, the Enterprise considers certain indicators such as whether the lease is for a major part of the economic life of the asset.

If an arrangement contains lease and non-lease components, the Enterprise applies IFRS 15 to allocate the consideration in the contract. The Enterprise recognizes lease payments received under operating leases as income on a straight-line basis over the lease term as part of other income.



2.m Inventories

Inventories consist of handsets, SIM cards, scratch cards, modems, dongles and other apparatus required for network connectivity. Network maintenance spares that do not meet criteria for capitalisation are included as part of inventories.

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined by the weighted average method. The cost of inventories comprises purchase price and other incidental costs. Net realisable value is the estimate of the selling price and other incidental costs.

2.n Employee benefits

2.n(i) Short-term obligations

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and accumulating sick leave that are expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the end of the reporting period and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. Non monetary benefits include handsets, gifts/rewards, medical and communication benefits and cars for management staff. The liabilities are presented as current employee benefit obligations in the statement of financial position.

Bonus plans

The Enterprise recognises a liability and an expense for bonuses. The Enterprise recognises a provision where contractually obliged or where there is a past practice that has created a constructive obligation.

2.n(ii) Other long-term employee benefit obligations

Other long term obligation that are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service are measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the end of the reporting period of high-quality corporate bonds with terms and currencies that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows. Remeasurements as a result of experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognised in profit or loss. The defined benefits are valued as at 30 June 2024 and the balances are updated by the valuation results.

The obligations are presented as current liabilities in the statement of financial position if the Enterprise does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting period, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur.

2.n(iii) Post-employment obligations

The Enterprise provides various post-employment schemes like post-employment medical plans and communication services Refer to **Note 19** for further details.

The liability recognised in the statement of financial position in respect of defined benefit schemes are the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method.

The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows using interest rates of zero-coupon government bond yield curves. The interest cost is calculated by applying the discount rate to the net balance of the defined benefit obligation. This cost is included as employee defined contribution expense in operating expenses.

Remeasurement gains and losses arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognised in the period in which they occur, directly in other comprehensive income. Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligation resulting from plan amendments or curtailments are recognised immediately in profit or loss as past service costs.

The defined benefits are valued as at 30 June 2024 and the balances are updated by the valuation results.

For defined contribution plans, the Enterprise pays contributions to publicly administered pension plans authority on a mandatory basis. The Enterprise has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The contributions are recognised as employee benefit expense when they are due. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.



Other post-employment obligations

The Enterprise provides communication benefits, farewell benefits, funeral benefits, medical benefits and Bereavement Benefit to their retirees as below.

- Communication benefits

The Enterprise provides communication benefits for all retiring employees until death. The communication benefit amount varies on the retiring employee's position as at the time of retirement.

- Farewell benefits

Upon retirement, early retirement or voluntary retirement, the Enterprise pays a monetary reward of Birr 20,000 to all retirees. The benefit amount is the same to all retirees. Additionally, the Enterprise arranges a farewell ceremony while the retiring employees receive the Enterprise pin.

- Funeral service benefits

In the event of the death of the employee, the surviving family of the employee is entitled to three months' salary, subject to a minimum of Birr of 15,000. An additional cash benefit of Birr 20,000 is payable in respect of Chief Executive Officer on the death of a first level family member. The benefit is entitled to all contract and permanent employees.

- Gratuity benefits

The gratuity benefits are based on the severance benefits as outlined by the Ethiopian Labour Proclamation number 1156/2019 effective 5 December 2019. Upon voluntary resignation of an employee who has been in service for more than 5 years, or death in service if the employee has between 5 to 10 years in service, the Enterprise pays out 30 days of salary for the first year of service and 10 days of salary for each year of service after the first year, to a maximum of one year's salary. There is no benefit pay out if an employee is dismissed due to disciplinary case.

- Post Retirement Medical Aid benefits

The Enterprise provides a lifelong 100% medical coverage treated at government hospitals and clinics, 100% medical services at its own clinic service center, and 95% local medicine coverage purchased from contracted pharmacies for the retirees. The benefit is the same even if an has retired voluntarily, early or at retirement age.

- Bereavement Support Benefit

Ethio Telecom formed a fund which is named as "ET Edir Assistance and support Association through collecting ETB 30 from the monthly salary of the voluntary employees. The purpose of the fund is to provide support and assistance to the survival family during the death of employee. In the event of the death of the employee, the surviving family of the employee is entitled to get an amount which is equal to one third of the total monthly contribution made by the members as at the event (death) happened. The benefit will be paid to the survival family of the employee, wether the employee contributed or not the amount to the Association fund so far.

2.n(iv) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are payable when employment is terminated by the Enterprise before the normal retirement date, or when an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. The Enterprise recognises termination benefits at the earlier of the following dates: (a) when the Enterprise can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits; and (b) when the Enterprise recognises costs for a restructuring that is within the scope of IAS 37 and involves the payment of terminations benefits.



2.0 Government grants

Grants from the government are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the Enterprise will comply with all attached conditions.

Government grants relating to costs are deferred and recognised in profit or loss over the period necessary to match them with the costs that they are intended to compensate.

Government grants relating to the purchase of property, plant and equipment are included in non-current liabilities as grants and they are credited to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the expected lives of the related assets.

The Enterprise has received freehold land for business use from the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia which is also the sole owner of the Enterprise. Non-monetary government grants such as freehold land are recognised as both an asset and capital contribution at a revalued amount.

The Enterprise accounts for the benefit arising from below-market loans from government or government related institutions as government grants. Such loans are recognised and measured in accordance with IFRS 9 Financial Instruments. The benefit of the below-market rate of interest is measured as the difference between the initial carrying value of the loan determined in accordance with IFRS 9 and the proceeds received.

2.p Borrowings costs

General and specific borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are capitalised during the period of time that is required to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use or sale. Qualifying assets are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale.

Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation. Other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

2.q Provisions

The Enterprise recognises provisions when all the following conditions are met;

- there is a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event;
- it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation; and
- a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions related to legal claims, restoration costs, service warranties and other similar obligations of uncertain timing or amount. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

Provisions are measured at the present value of management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period. The discount rate used to determine the present value is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as interest expense.

The Enterprise accounts for the costs associated with dismantling and removing network infrastructure assets and returning a network infrastructure site operated under a lease to its original condition upon termination of the network infrastructure site lease in accordance with IAS 16.

A restoration provision is recorded based on the best estimate of the average restoration costs (being the future costs relating to dismantling and removing property, plant and equipment and restoring each site) multiplied by the number of sites for which the Enterprise has a restoration obligation. This is then discounted to the present value of the obligation.



Revenue recognition - average customer life

Management applies judgement in estimating average customer life. Average estimated life of a customer is determined as total gross customer disconnections in the period divided by the average total customers in the period. The enterprise estimated the average expected duration of a subscriber to measure and recognized revenues and costs from contract liabilities and contract assets respectively.

Year	Wireless subscribers	Fixed line subscribers	Data only subscribers
2016 - 2020	48 months'	60 months'	48 months'
2021 - 2022	48 months'	72 months'	36 months'
2023 - 2024	36 months'	72 months'	24 months'

3.b Leases - determining right of use and lease liability

Critical judgements required in the application of IFRS 16 includes the following:

- Identifying whether a contract (or part of a contract) includes a lease;
- Determining whether it is reasonably certain that an extension or termination option will be exercised;
- Classification of lease agreements (when the enterprise is a lessor);
- Determination of whether variable payments are in-substance fixed;
- Establishing whether there are multiple leases in an arrangement;
- Determining the stand-alone selling prices of lease and non-lease components.
- Determining the lease term.

3.c Property, plant and equipment

The depreciation charge for property, plant and equipment is derived using estimates of its expected useful life and expected residual value, which are reviewed annually. Increasing an asset's expected life or residual value would result in a reduced depreciation charge in the statement of profit or loss.

Management determines the useful lives and residual values for assets when they are acquired, based on experience with similar assets and taking into account other relevant factors such as any expected changes in technology. The depreciation rates used are set out in Note 2i.

3.d Post-employment benefits

Management uses estimates when determining the Enterprise's liabilities and expenses arising for defined benefit schemes. Management is required to estimate the future rates of inflation, salary increases, discount rates and longevity of members, each of which may have a material impact on the defined benefit obligations that are recorded. Further details, including a sensitivity analysis, are included in Note 19 to the financial statements.

3.e Impairment on financial assets

The loss allowances for financial assets are based on assumptions about risk of default and expected loss rates. The Enterprise uses judgement in making these assumptions and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation, based on the Enterprise's past history, existing market conditions as well as forward looking estimates at the end of each reporting period. Details of the key assumptions and inputs used are disclosed in Note 4 to the financial statements.

3.f Income tax and deferred tax assets / liabilities

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilised. Realized foreign currency exchange losses incurred related to acquisition of fixed assets during a year are capitalized and depreciated annually at 15% rate. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and the level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies. The Enterprise is taxed by 30% on its annual taxable profit.

3.g Provisions and contingent liabilities

Management exercises judgement in measuring and recognising provisions and the exposures to contingent liabilities related to pending litigation or other outstanding claims subject to negotiated settlement, mediation, arbitration or government regulation, as well as other contingent liabilities as disclosed under Note 28 to the financial statements. Judgement is necessary to assess the likelihood that a pending claim will succeed, or a liability will arise, and estimates are required to determine the possible range of any financial settlement. The inherent uncertainty of such matters means that actual losses may materially differ from estimates.



4 Financial risk management

4.1 Introduction

The Enterprise's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including foreign exchange risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Enterprise's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on its financial performance.

Financial risk management is carried out by the finance division under policies approved by the management board. The management board provides written principles for overall risk management, as well as written policies covering specific areas such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk and investment of excess liquidity.

Categories of financial instruments

The Enterprise has the following financial instruments in the statement of financial position as at the reporting date:

		<u>30 June 2024</u>	<u>30 June 2023</u>
		<u>Birr'000</u>	<u>Birr'000</u>
Financial assets at amortised cost			
Current			
Trade receivables	14(b)	9,505,447	6,773,369
Other financial assets at amortised cost	14(c)	15,188	92,483,778
Cash and cash equivalents	16	29,643,117	33,544,592
Mobile Money Deposits	17(a)	-	-
		<u>68,806,869</u>	<u>132,801,739</u>
Non current			
Other financial assets at amortised cost	14(c)	7,101,156	7,101,156
		<u>75,908,025</u>	<u>139,902,895</u>
Financial liabilities at amortised cost			
Current			
Borrowings	17	4,683,898	5,212,627
Lease liabilities	12	298,352	341,037
Contract liabilities	19(a)	8,099,163	8,231,309
Foreign creditors	19(b)	18,973,052	16,647,378
Local creditors	19(b)	12,271,187	10,538,795
		<u>44,325,652</u>	<u>40,971,146</u>
Non current			
Borrowings	17	13,001,808	16,927,715
Lease liability	12	731,928	647,210
		<u>13,733,736</u>	<u>17,574,925</u>
		<u>58,059,388</u>	<u>58,546,071</u>



4.2 Market risk

(i) Foreign exchange risk

The Enterprise is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures, primarily, with respect to the US dollar, Euro and Japanese Yen. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions and recognised assets and liabilities.

The Enterprise applies market foreign exchange rates with reference to National Bank of Ethiopia, the financial institutions regulator. Foreign exchange risk arises when future commercial transactions or recognized assets or liabilities are denominated in a currency that is not the enterprise's functional currency.

The Enterprise's exposure to foreign currency risk as at end of 30 June 2024, Due to June 29 and 30, 2024 fall on weekend days, and there was no official exchange rate released on that date from Commercial bank of Ethiopia, the enterprise was persuaded to use the rate prevailing on June 28, 2024, expressed in Ethiopian Birr currency units, was as follows: Exchange rate as at June 28 2024 USD=Buying Rate 57.3265 Selling Rate 58.4730, EUR=Buying Rate 61.3107 Selling Rate 62.5369, JPY=Buying Rate 0.3571 Selling Rate 0.3642

	30 June 2024			USD Birr'000	30 June 2023	
	USD Birr'000	EUR Birr'000	JPY Birr'000		EUR Birr'000	JPY Birr'000
Trade receivables	3,669,075			3,528,276		
Cash and cash equivalents	12,087			1,505,386		
Trade payables	(18,973,052)			(16,647,378)		
Borrowings	(17,679,176)		(6,530)	(22,132,902)		(7,441)

If the local currency (Ethiopian Birr) had weakened/strengthened by 10% against the major foreign currencies with all other variables held constant, the impact on pre-tax profit and retained earnings would have as below;

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
USD/Birr exchange rate – increase 10% (2023 – 10%)	(2,879,942)	(1,326,459)
Euro/Birr exchange rate – increase 10% (2023 – 10%)		
JPY/Birr exchange rate – increase 10% (2023 – 10%)	(411)	(581)
USD/Birr exchange rate – decrease 10% (2023 – 10%)	2,879,942	1,326,459
Euro/Birr exchange rate – decrease 10% (2023 – 10%)		
JPY/Birr exchange rate – decrease 10% (2022 – 10%)	411	581

(ii) Price risk

The Enterprise does not hold investments or securities that would be subject to price risk. The Enterprise is not exposed to price risk

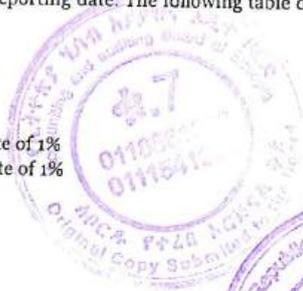
(iii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will be affected by changes in market interest rates. The Enterprise's exposure to interest rate risk relates primarily to borrowings at variable rates. Fixed rate borrowings only give rise to interest rate risk if measured at fair value. The Enterprise has no financial assets or liability measured at fair value at the reporting date. Maximum exposure to interest rate risk are detailed below :

	Note	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Borrowings	18	17,685,706	22,140,342

The sensitivity analysis for interest rate risk shows how changes in the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market rates at the reporting date. The following table demonstrates the sensitivity of changes in EIR rate with all other variables held constant :

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Effect on profit before tax with increase in interest rate of 1%	355,236	486,983
Effect on profit before tax with decrease in interest rate of 1%	(355,236)	(486,983)



4.3 Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counter party will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss. The Enterprise is exposed to credit risk in respect of

- payment of trade receivables as invoices fall due between 30 and 90 days after being raised (Note 14)
- financial assets with banking institutions (Note 17)
- contractual cash flows of debt investments and staff receivables carried at amortised cost (Note 14)

Credit risk on trade receivables is managed by ensuring that credit is extended to customers with an established credit history. The credit history is determined by taking into account the financial position, past experience and other relevant factors. Credit is managed by setting a credit limit and credit period for each customer. The utilisation of the credit limits and the credit period is monitored by management on a regular basis. Management manages credit risk arising from its dealer trade debtors by imposing guarantee requirements.

Credit risk on financial assets with banking institutions is managed by dealing with institutions with good credit ratings. The Enterprise's debt investments are limited to government securities issued by the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia.

For these purpose default management has made an assumption that default occurs for receivables invoices outstanding above 360 days for all products.

The Enterprise's recognize lifetime expected loss allowance. The Enterprise groups its financial assets on the basis of shared credit risk characteristics, comprised of: postpaid, interconnect, roaming, leased and dealer.

A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred. Evidence that a financial asset is credit impaired include observable data about the following events:

- i) significant financial difficulty of the issuer or the borrower;
- ii) a breach of contract, such as a default or past due event;
- iii) the lender(s) of the borrower, for economic or contractual reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulty, having granted to the borrower a concession(s) that the lender(s) would not otherwise consider;
- iv) it is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation;
- v) the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties; or
- vi) the purchase or origination of a financial asset at a deep discount that reflects the incurred credit losses.

The Enterprise's gross carrying amount of financial assets with exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is as follows:

	Note	Fully performing Birr'000	Impaired over 360 days Birr'000
30 June 2024			
Other financial assets at amortised cost	14(c)	7,116,344	
Trade receivables	14(b)	9,505,447	3,308,014
Cash and cash equivalents	16	-	
Mobile Money Deposits	17(a)	11,058,840	
		<u>27,680,631</u>	<u>3,308,014</u>
30 June 2023			
Other financial assets at amortised cost	14(c)	99,584,934	
Trade receivables	14(b)	6,773,369	3,075,626
Cash and cash equivalents	16	33,544,592	
Mobile Money Deposits	17(a)	11,913,980	
		<u>151,816,875</u>	<u>3,075,626</u>

Fully performing assets represents counter parties that are paying their dues as they fall due and are operating within their approved credit limits. Impaired financial assets represents contractual obligation that are overdue and/or have exceeded the approved credit limits and are fully provided for.

Credit risk is managed by the Chief Finance Officer who is responsible for managing and analysing credit risk for each new client before standard payment and delivery terms are offered. For financial assets, the following credit risk modelling applies:



The Enterprise considers the probability of default upon initial recognition of asset and whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk on an ongoing basis throughout each reporting period. To assess whether there is a significant increase in credit risk the Enterprise compares the risk of a default occurring on the asset as at the reporting date with the risk of default as at the date of initial recognition. It considers available reasonable and supportive forwarding-looking information. Especially the following indicators are incorporated:

Actual or expected significant adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant change to the borrower's ability to meet its obligations

Significant changes in the expected performance and behaviour of the debtor, including changes in the payment status of debtor in the group and changes in the operating results of the debtor

The Enterprise does not grade the credit quality of receivables. The utilisation of credit limits is in place and regularly monitored.

Macroeconomic information (such as market interest rates or growth rates) is incorporated as part of the internal rating model. Regardless of the analysis above, a significant increase in credit risk is presumed if a debtor is more than 30 days past due in making a contractual payment. A default on a financial asset is when the counterparty fails to make contractual payments within 360 days of when they fall due.

Financial assets are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery, such as a debtor failing to engage in a repayment plan with the Enterprise. The Enterprise categorises receivables for write off when a debtor fails to make contractual payments greater than 360 days past due. Where receivables have been written off, the Enterprise continues to engage in enforcement activity to attempt to recover the receivable due. Where recoveries are made, these are recognised in profit or loss.

Contract acquisition costs/deposits and prepayments/ prepaid benefit assets by nature are not subject to credit risk and therefore not subject to expected credit losses. Sundry debtors include short term advances to staff which do not bear credit risk. Expected credit losses have been assessed and recognised for trade receivables, Investment securities at amortised cost and cash and cash equivalents.

(i) Trade receivables

The Enterprise applies the IFRS 9 simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables. To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. These categories comprise of : postpaid, interconnect, roaming , leased and dealer

The expected loss rates are based on the payment profiles of sales over a period between 01 October 2017 and 30 June 2024 and the corresponding historical credit losses experienced within this period. The historical loss rates are adjusted to reflect current and forward-looking information on macroeconomic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables. The Enterprise has identified the GDP, foreign currency exchange rate and the inflation rate to be the most relevant factors, and accordingly adjusts the historical loss rates based on expected changes in these factors.

On that basis, the loss allowance was determined as follows :

	Past due but not impaired	Impaired (Over 360 days)
30 June 2024		
Average probability of default (%)	18%	100%
Average loss given default (%)	82%	91%
30 June 2023		
Average probability of default (%)	16%	100%
Average loss given default (%)	76%	88%

The loss allowance provision for trade receivables reconciles to the opening loss allowance for that provision as follows:

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
At start of year	3,075,626	2,728,019
Increase (decrease) in expected credit losses	232,388	347,607
expected credit losses At the end of the period	3,308,014	3,075,626



Trade receivables are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery include, amongst others, the failure of a debtor to engage in a repayment plan with the group, and a failure to make contractual payments for a period of greater than 360 days past due. Impairment losses on trade receivables are presented as net impairment losses within operating profit. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the same line item.

(ii) *Debt investments at amortised cost*

Impairment losses on financial assets is summarised below :

	Note	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Impairment losses on trade receivables	14(b)	3,308,014	3,075,626
Total loss allowance under IFRS 9		3,308,014	3,075,626



4.4 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Enterprise will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. Prudent liquidity risk management includes maintaining sufficient cash balances, and the availability of funding from an adequate amount of committed credit facilities. Due to the dynamic nature of the underlying businesses, the finance department maintains flexibility in funding by maintaining availability under committed credit lines.

Management performs cash flow forecasting and monitor rolling forecasts of the Enterprise's liquidity requirements to ensure it has sufficient cash to meet its operational needs while maintaining sufficient headroom on its undrawn committed borrowing facilities at all times so that the Enterprise does not breach borrowing limits or covenants (where applicable) on any of its borrowing facilities. The Enterprise's approach when managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Enterprise's reputation.

The table below analyses the Enterprise's undiscounted financial liabilities that will be settled on a net basis into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date.

	Less than 1 year Birr'000	Between 1 and 5 years Birr'000	Over 5 years Birr'000	Total Birr'000	Carrying amount Birr'000
At 30 June 2024:					
Borrowings	4,683,898	13,514,726		18,198,624	17,692,236
Foreign creditors	18,973,052			18,973,052	18,973,052
Local creditors	12,271,187			12,271,187	12,271,187
Contract liabilities	8,099,163			8,099,163	8,099,163
	<u>44,027,300</u>	<u>13,514,726</u>	-	<u>57,542,026</u>	<u>57,035,638</u>
At 30 June 2023:					
Borrowings	5,708,601	17,426,741	304,986	23,440,329	22,147,784
Foreign creditors	16,647,378			16,647,378	16,647,378
Local creditors	10,538,795			10,538,795	10,538,795
Contract liabilities	8,231,309			8,231,309	8,231,309
	<u>41,126,083</u>	<u>17,426,741</u>	<u>304,986</u>	<u>58,857,811</u>	<u>57,565,266</u>
	Less than 1 year Birr'000	Between 1 and 5 years Birr'000	Over 5 years Birr'000	Total Birr'000	Carrying amount Birr'000
At 30 June 2024:					
Lease liability	247,946	862,471	193,226	1,303,643	1,029,267
At 30 June 2023:					
Lease liability	432,308	629,548	227,667	1,289,523	988,247

4.5 Capital management

The Enterprise's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Enterprise's ability to continue as a going concern in order to earn returns and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital. The gearing ratios at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023 were as follows:

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 as restated Birr'000
Debt (Note 18c)	18,715,986	23,128,591
Less: cash and cash equivalents (Note 17)	(40,701,957)	(33,544,592)
Net debt (i)	<u>(21,985,971)</u>	<u>(10,416,001)</u>
Equity (ii)	113,493,516	104,280,097
Net debt to equity ratio	1:0.19	1:0.099

(i) Debt is defined as liabilities from financing activities as detailed in Note 18 (c)

(ii) Equity comprises of capital, retained earnings, legal reserve and other reserves



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5 Revenue from contracts with customers	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
The disaggregation of revenue based on timing and nature is as below :		
Overtime:		
Subscription	639,645	267,634
Traffic Voice	14,192,491	14,414,169
Traffic Data	30,574,465	24,703,821
Traffic IP	12,469,262	11,709,937
Traffic Visitor Roaming	1,103,878	682,112
Interconnect	9,310,511	6,336,371
Leased Circuit	1,702,534	958,458
Hybrid Services	5,695,971	4,603,853
Short Code (Premium SMS)	5,022,243	2,475,690
Cloud Service	102,209	15,276
Enterprise Solution	2,040,394	
	82,853,604	66,167,321
At a point in time:		
Mobile Money Service	2,318,110.51	757,143
Devices revenue	5,188,270.26	3,729,292
Airtime credit service revenue	1,009,126.68	849,340
Domain & Web Hosting	2,178.83	22,898
	8,517,686	5,358,672
	91,371,290	71,525,993

Contract acquisition costs and contract liabilities as at reporting date is as below :

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Reconciliation of movement in contract acquisition costs arising from revenue from contracts with customers:		
Beginning	94.660	62.162
Additions in the period	117,029	58,564
Recognised as Expense	(39,976)	(26,066)
Balance at the end of the period	171,713	94,660
Reconciliation of movement in contract liabilities arising from revenue from contracts with customers:		
Beginning	8,231,309	6,968,799
Additions in the period	68,813,678	57,735,228
Recognised as revenue	(68,945,825)	(56,472,718)
Balance at the end of the period	8,099,163	8,231,309

The Enterprise recognised impairment losses of Birr as at 30 June 2024 3,308,014 (2023 : Birr 3,075,626) from financial assets arising from revenue from contracts with customers.

6 Expenses by nature	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
6(a) Direct costs		
Network access costs	4,513,988	3,184,322
Network maintenance and support costs	2,928,436	2,213,425
Handset and other devices costs	4,693,592	3,441,140
Commission	9,982,020	7,389,476
Purchase of materials	3,488,764	2,479,849
	25,606,800	18,708,212

Commission costs were previously included in operating expenses on the audited statement, but they are now reported as direct costs.



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6(b) Operating expenses	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
Employee benefits expense	14,440,865	12,420,030
Sundry Expense	6,801,889	1,569,211
Travelling	805,775	562,463
Rent	762,965	596,037
Utilities	960,601	789,566
Fuel	1,754,921	1,397,834
Advertisement & Publicity	1,061,132	1,640,177
Maintenance	763,340	536,740
Other operating expenses	1,255,063	798,449
	28,606,549	20,310,509

Other operating expenses include costs incurred for stationery, entertainment and refreshments, uniforms, insurance, training, audit fees, land and building tax and legal provisions.

7 Employee benefits expense

The following items are included within employee benefits expense:

Short term employee benefits :

Salaries and wages	8,142,552	6,581,080
Allowances	2,410,437	2,252,474
Bonus	1,263,819	1,318,530
Overtime	274,293	224,803
Leave and holiday pay	489,825	338,491
Staff medical cost	437,881	290,780
Staff loan benefit cost	94	8,275
Staff commissions	890	451
Other staff benefits	401,582	570,234
Employee defined contribution expense	824,767	640,002
	14,246,140	12,225,120

Long term employee benefits :

Employee defined benefit expense	194,724	194,909
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8 Other income (expense)

Gains from sale of property, plant and equipment	124,513	181,928
Write (down) or writeback on inventory	290,542	1,363,664
Write (back)/off of differences on PPE carrying values	191,579	(229,728)
Building Rent fee	17,373	8,510
Grant income / (expense)	15	20
Sundry income	3,670,472	3,903,815
	4,294,494	5,460,102

9 Finance income / (cost)

Finance income

Interest income	10,607	31,764
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Finance costs

Interest expense	(745,756)	(775,262)
Other finance charges	(183,219)	(175,258)
Net foreign exchange losses	(2,149,584)	(2,017,374)
	(3,078,560)	(2,967,893)

Finance costs - net

	(3,067,953)	(2,936,129)
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	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
10 Current income and deferred tax		
10(a) Current income tax		
Current income tax	10,371,242	9,860,208
Deferred income tax/(credit) to profit or loss	142,521	298,556
Current tax of prior periods	263,252	
Total income tax charge to profit or loss	10,777,016	10,158,764
Income tax (credit) on other comprehensive income	(55,919)	55,814
Total current income tax expense in statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income	<u>10,721,097</u>	<u>10,214,578</u>
10(b) Reconciliation of effective tax to statutory tax		
The tax on the Enterprise's profit before income tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the statutory income tax rate as follows:		
	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Profit before tax	29,790,459	28,186,778
Tax calculated at applicable income tax rate of 30% (2023:30%)	8,937,138	8,456,033
Tax effect of:		
Income not subject to tax	(7,530,460)	(6,053,358)
Expenses not deductible for tax	8,964,564	7,457,532
Current tax of prior periods	263,252	-
Tax charge due to deferred tax	86,602	354,370
Income tax expense	<u>10,721,097</u>	<u>10,214,578</u>
Expenses not deductible for income tax mainly include the following:		
	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(7,529,546)	(5,785,449)
Amortization intangible assets	(403,420)	(323,310)
Write (down) or writeback on Inventory	290,542	1,363,664
Net impairment losses on financial assets	(232,387)	(347,607)
Net foreign exchange losses	(2,149,584)	(2,017,374)
10 (c) Current income tax liability	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Balance at the beginning of the year	7,245,392	7,946,127
<u>Charge for the year:</u>		
Income tax expense	10,371,242	9,860,208
Payment during the period	(8,823,074)	(10,560,943)
Balance at the end of the period	<u>8,793,560</u>	<u>7,245,392</u>



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10(d) **Deferred income tax**

Deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Deferred tax asset	3,569,758	3,656,361
	<u>3,569,758</u>	<u>3,656,361</u>

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities, deferred income tax charge/(credit) in profit or loss ("P/L), in equity and other comprehensive income are attributable to the following items:

Deferred income tax assets/(liabilities):	At 1 July 2023	Credit/ (charge) to P/L	Credit/ (charge) to equity	30 June 2024
	Birr'000	Birr'000	Birr'000	Birr'000
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,560,066	(452,597)		1,107,469
Investment Property	(64,106)	1,319		(62,787)
Intangible assets	(283,957)	53,165		(230,792)
Right of use assets	(362,330)	(11,853)		(374,182)
Inventories	1,015,152	(87,163)		927,989
Other assets	44,899	(50,511)		(5,612)
Other financial assets at amortised cost	(5,922)	1,366		(4,556)
Trade receivables	129,156	63,396		192,553
Cash and cash equivalents	-	(524)		(524)
Defined benefit obligations	141,788	104,588	55,919	302,295
Borrowings	(947)	(37,504)		(38,451)
Lease liabilities	296,474	12,610		309,084
Contract liabilities	146,573	(21,837)		124,735
Trade and other payables	1,039,515	228,954		1,268,469
Provisions	-	53,924		53,924
Grants	-	145		145
Total deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	3,656,361	(142,521)	55,919	3,569,758

Deferred income tax assets/(liabilities):	At 1 July 2022	Credit/ (charge) to P/L	Credit/ (charge) to equity	30 June 2023 As restated
	Birr'000	Birr'000	Birr'000	Birr'000
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,635,239	(75,173)		1,560,066
Investment Property		(64,106)		(64,106)
Intangible assets	(371,084)	87,126		(283,957)
Right of use assets	(288,379)	(73,950)		(362,330)
Investment securities at amortised cost	195,000.5	(195,001)		-
Notes receivable at amortised cost	(195,162)	195,162		-
Inventories	1,352,082	(336,930)		1,015,152
Other assets	59,148	(14,250)		44,899
Other financial assets at amortised cost	(14,159)	8,237		(5,922)
Trade receivables	(38,890)	168,047		129,156
Cash and cash equivalents	(523)	523		-
Defined benefit obligations	212,808	(15,206)	(55,814)	141,788
Borrowings	(98,748)	97,800		(947)
Lease liabilities	249,569	46,905		296,474
Contract liabilities	142,514	4,059		146,573
Trade and other payables	1,062,216	(22,701)		1,039,515
Provisions	29,420	(29,420)		-
Grants	169	(169)		-
Total deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	3,931,220	(219,046)	(55,814)	3,656,361



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11 Property, plant and equipment

	Network Assets Birr'000	Power Equipment Birr'000	Buildings Birr'000	Motor Vehicles Birr'000	Servers Birr'000	Spare Parts Birr'000	Other Equipment Birr'000	Work in Progress Birr'000	Total Birr'000
At 1 July 2022									
Cost	32,120,013	8,430,024	11,547,817	3,416,875	6,074,365	724,589	2,291,680	10,064,567	74,669,929
Accumulated depreciation	(17,847,178)	(6,470,639)	(3,691,266)	(1,907,776)	(3,852,166)	(690,853)	(1,352,229)	-	(35,812,108)
Net book amount	14,272,835	1,959,385	7,856,551	1,509,099	2,222,199	33,735	939,450	10,064,567	38,857,822
Year ended 30 June 2023									
Opening net book amount	14,272,835	1,959,385	7,856,551	1,509,099	2,222,199	214,056	939,450	10,064,567	38,857,822
Reclassifications (CIP)	6,509,802	1,285,176	1,426,749	-	86,448	(137,375)	-	(9,308,176)	-
Reclassifications of spare parts	113,953	13,383	10,039	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reclassifications to Investment Property	-	-	(244,159)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	1,351	418	-	245,831	-	67,016	739,603	16,840,902	17,895,120
Disposals	(3,176,861)	(542,411)	(514,136)	(3,954)	(851,334)	(54,383)	(1,281)	-	(5,235)
Depreciation charge	-	-	-	(272,814)	-	-	(373,511)	-	(5,785,449)
Closing net book amount	17,721,080	2,715,951	8,535,045	1,478,162	1,457,314	89,314	1,304,262	17,597,293	50,898,420
At 30 June 2023									
Cost	38,745,118	9,729,001	12,740,447	3,658,751	6,160,813	654,230	3,030,002	17,597,293	92,315,656
Accumulated depreciation	(21,024,039)	(7,013,050)	(4,179,324)	(2,180,590)	(4,793,499)	(564,916)	(1,725,740)	-	(41,391,158)
Net book amount	17,721,080	2,715,951	8,561,123	1,478,162	1,457,314	89,314	1,304,262	17,597,293	50,924,499
Adjustment of valuation									
As restated	17,721,080	2,715,951	87,914,000	1,478,162	1,457,314	89,314	1,304,262	17,597,293	129,838,499
Year ended 30 June 2023									
Opening net book amount as restated	17,721,080	2,715,951	87,475,123	1,478,162	1,457,314	89,314	1,304,262	17,597,293	129,838,499
Reclassifications (CIP)	9,390,394	1,506,584	1,716,678	-	-	(180,210)	-	(13,012,593)	(398,937)
Reclassifications of spare parts	162,396	16,442	1,372	-	-	226,309	531,324	12,526,950	19,660,923
Additions	5,929,594	146,423	133,917	166,406	-	-	(16,973)	-	(22,322)
Disposals	(4,963,074)	(682,387)	(585,557)	(5,349)	(574,460)	(55,311)	(450,853)	-	(7,529,546)
Depreciation charge	-	-	-	(217,904)	-	-	-	-	-
Closing net book amount	28,240,390	3,703,013	88,741,533	1,421,314	882,854	80,101	1,367,760	17,111,650	141,548,616
At 30 June 2024									
Cost	54,227,503	11,398,450	93,506,414	3,819,808	6,160,813	700,328	3,544,354	17,111,650	190,469,320
Accumulated depreciation	(25,987,113)	(7,695,437)	(4,764,881)	(2,398,494)	(5,277,959)	(620,227)	(2,176,593)	-	(48,920,704)
Net book amount	28,240,390	3,703,013	88,741,533	1,421,314	882,854	80,101	1,367,760	17,111,650	141,548,616

As at 2023 Fiscal year, 6659 parcels land holdings throughout the country (771 in Addis Ababa and 5888 across the regions) were assessed and valued as ETB 83,740,000 of which ETB 78,914,000 considered as in kind paid up capital contribution. The valuation has been made by KPMG.

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12 Leases

i) Amounts recognised in the statement of financial position

The statement of financial position shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	30 June 2024 Birr '000'	30 June 2023 Birr '000'
Right of use asset		
Properties	1,247,275	1,207,765
Lease liability		
Current	298,352	341,037
Non-current	731,928	647,210
	<u>1,030,280</u>	<u>988,247</u>

ii) Right of use assets

	30 June 2024 Birr '000'	30 June 2023 Birr '000'
Balance at start of the year	1,207,765	961,265
Additions in the period	181,393	381,426
Remeasurement of Right of use asset	282,392	248,780
	<u>1,671,550</u>	<u>1,591,471</u>
Depreciation expense	(424,275)	(383,706)
Balance at end of the period	<u>1,247,275</u>	<u>1,207,765</u>

iii) Lease liability

Balance at start of the year	988,248	831,897
Additions in the period	178,029	375,102
Remeasurement of lease liability	270,244	176,588
Interest expense	106,719	96,662
	<u>1,543,239</u>	<u>1,480,249</u>
Repayments in the period	(512,959)	(491,999)
Balance at end of the period	<u>1,030,280</u>	<u>988,248</u>

iv) Amounts recognised in the statement of profit or loss

The statement of profit or loss shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	30 June 2024 Birr '000'	30 June 2023 Birr '000'
Depreciation charge right-of-use assets	424,275	383,706
Interest expense included in finance costs under Note 9	106,719	23,984
	<u>530,994</u>	<u>407,690</u>

v) Amounts recognised in the statements of cash flows

Cash generated from operations - Interest paid	(106,719)	(96,662)
Cash generated from financing activities - lease payments	(406,240)	(395,338)



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13 Intangible assets

	Network licenses Birr'000	Software Birr'000	Total Birr'000
At 1 July 2022			
Cost	759,409	4,326,069	5,085,478
Accumulated amortisation	(322,674)	(3,154,453)	(3,477,127)
Net book amount	436,735	1,171,616	1,608,350
Year ended 30 June 2023			
Opening net book value	436,735	1,171,616	1,608,350
Reclassifications from WIP			
Additions	8,678		8,678
Amortisation charge	(80,414)	(242,897)	(323,310)
Closing net book value	364,999	928,719	1,293,718
At 30 June 2023			
Cost	768,087	4,326,069	5,094,156
Accumulated amortisation	(403,088)	(3,397,350)	(3,800,438)
Net book amount	364,999	928,719	1,293,718
As at 30 June 2024			
Opening net book value	364,999	928,719	1,293,718
Reclassifications from WIP	34,408	364,529	398,937
Additions	542,301	33,027	575,329
Amortisation charge	(109,604)	(293,816)	(403,420)
Closing net book value	832,104	1,032,459	1,864,564
At 30 June 2024			
Cost	1,344,796	4,723,626	6,068,421
Accumulated amortisation	(512,691)	(3,691,166)	(4,203,858)
Net book amount	832,104	1,032,459	1,864,564

13(a) Investment Property

At 30 June 2023	
Cost	244,159
Accumulated amortisation	(30,473)
Net book amount	213,686
At 30 June 2024	
Opening net book value	213,686
Additions	
Depreciation charge	(4,395)
Closing net book value	209,291
At 30 June 2024	
Cost	244,159
Accumulated amortisation	(34,868)
Net book amount	209,291



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14(a) Other assets

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
Contract acquisition costs	171,713	94,660
Deposits and prepayments	3,017,377	2,405,543
Prepaid benefit assets	283	377
Sundry debtors	1,376,652	474,003
	4,566,025	2,974,583
Current	4,565,762	2,974,275
Non-Current	261	310
	4,566,025	2,974,583

Contract acquisition costs relates to customer applications commissions and dealers upfront commissions settled in advance. Deposits and prepayments mainly relate to advances paid to suppliers.

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
14(b) Trade receivables		
Trade receivables	12,813,461	9,848,995
Less: Provision for impairment losses	(3,308,014)	(3,075,626)
	9,505,447	6,773,369

Movement on impairment losses on trade is as follows:

At start of year	3,075,626	2,728,019
Impairment losses for the period	232,388	347,607
	3,308,014	3,075,626

14(c) Other financial assets at amortised cost

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	as restated Birr'000
Staff receivables	15,188	19,741
Advance to Ministry of Finance	7,101,156	7,101,156
Receivable from MoF for Paid up Capital fulfillment	-	2,000,000
	7,116,344	9,120,897

Included in staff receivables are staff mortgage, holiday and other loans and advances to the Enterprise's Staff.

The loans are secured by the staff's terminal benefits. Management has assessed the attrition rate for permanent staff as being low. As such, the loss given default for staff loans is deemed to be low and consequently the expected credit losses as immaterial.

Current	15,188	2,019,741
Non-Current	7,101,156	7,101,156
	7,116,344	9,120,897



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15 Inventories	30 June 2024	30 June 2023 as restated
	Birr'000	Birr'000
Commercial	2,085,131	1,311,576
Non commercial inventories	12,836,071	9,724,724
	<u>14,921,202</u>	<u>11,036,300</u>

Commercial inventories are meant for sale to customers and include handsets, SIM cards, scratch cards, modems and dongles. Non commercial inventories consists of consumables and support items network maintenance spares that do not meet criteria for capitalisation as property, plant and equipment.

Write (down) or writeback of inventories to net realisable value in the year ended 30 June 2024 amounted to Birr 292,331 (2023 – Birr 1,363,664). These were recognised as other expense/income in the statement of profit or loss in the respective periods.

Starting from Dec 2020 (Period 21) Customs, Insurance, and Freight (CIF) charge amounting to ETB 1,850,392 was accumulated without being allocated to the respective items' cost due to the absence of on-hand quantity as the items were issued before cost allocation. The omission of such attributable cost allocation to the individual inventory items (both commercial and noncommercial) overstated the total inventory carrying balance and understated the cost of goods sold/items consumed for the stated periods. An adjustment and restatement have been made to Inventory and Retained Earnings to correct the misstatements.

Since 2020 due to systems integration problem, sold inventory items amounting to ETB 1,847,154 remain on the Inventory balance which resulted in an overstatement of Inventory and understatement of the cost of goods sold. Accordingly, an adjustment and restatement have been made to Inventory and Retained Earnings to correct the misstatements.

While setting price for non-valued inventory items, incorrect and more unit prices were set on IFRS carrying inventories value which brings an overstatement of Inventory balance by ETB 3,962,576.

The overall Restatement on inventory, ETB 3,697,546 and ETB 3,962,576, brings a net balance reduction effect of ETB 265,030. Consequently, Deferred Tax Assets and Retained Earnings have been adjusted by ETB 79,510.

16 Cash and cash equivalents	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
Cash in hand	23,935	25,102
Cash at bank	29,619,182	33,519,490
	<u>29,643,117</u>	<u>33,544,592</u>

Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
Realised (gains)/losses on cash and cash equivalents during the period		284,313
Closing unrealised (gains)/losses on cash and cash equivalents	183,421	(923,464)
Opening unrealised (gains)/losses on cash and cash equivalent	923,464	905,394
	<u>1,106,885</u>	<u>266,244</u>



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17 Borrowings

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
Non Current		
Government loan 18(a)	5,180	6,136
Promissory notes ¶ 18(b)	12,996,628	16,921,580
	<u>13,001,808</u>	<u>16,927,715</u>
Current		
Government loan 18(a)	1,350	1,305
Promissory notes ¶ 18(b)	4,682,548	5,211,322
	<u>4,683,898</u>	<u>5,212,627</u>
	<u>17,685,706</u>	<u>22,140,342</u>

17 (a) Government loan

Ministry of Finance

Ministry of Finance borrowing is an on-lending facility from the Japanese government. The loan principal is JPY 118,973 (Birr 1,970) bearing interest at the rate of 0.75% per annum and repayable in 30 semi annual instalments. The loan will mature in 2029. A reconciliation of the changes in government loan is as follows :

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
Balance at the beginning of the year	7,441	9,645
Interest charged	115	81
Principal repayments	(1,208)	(1,255)
Interest repayments	(40)	(51)
Amortisation of grant	25	20
Translation effect on foreign currency loans	197	(998)
	<u>6,530</u>	<u>7,441</u>
Balance at the end of the period	<u>6,530</u>	<u>7,441</u>

This loan was issued at below market interest rate. The Enterprise's recognition of the grant arising of Birr 10 (2023: Birr 25) is presented under Note 23.

17 (b) Promissory notes payable

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
ZTE corporation - Telecom Expansion Project	3,790,634	4,504,023
Huawei Technologies Co. Ltd	12,774,634	15,453,578
Ericsson Credit A.B	1,113,908	2,175,300
	<u>17,679,176</u>	<u>22,132,902</u>



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The promissory notes arise from financing agreements with various vendors for the Enterprise's next generation network and Telecom Expansion Project (TEP). The terms of the financing agreements are as below :

	Currency	Maximum credit (Million)	Contractual interest rate	Effective interest rate	Maturity
ZTE corporation - Telecom expansion project	USD	300	6 months USD LIBOR + 1.5% margin	2.30%	16th February, 2029
Huawei Technologies Co.Ltd	USD	800	6 months USD LIBOR + 1.5% margin	2.16%	18th October, 2028
Ericsson Credit AB	USD	400	6 months USD LIBOR + 3.0% margin	4.19%	15th March 2028

A reconciliation of the changes in promissory notes payable is as follows:

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Balance at the beginning of the year	22,132,902	27,269,420
Promissory notes issues	-	-
Interest charged	559,146	662,837
Principal repayments	(5,892,016)	(6,609,730)
Interest repayments	(692,801)	(945,998)
Translation effect of foreign currency promissory notes	1,571,944	1,756,372
Balance at the end of the period	17,679,176	22,132,902

17 (c) Net debt reconciliation

The Enterprise's financing activities comprise of borrowings and leasing arrangements. An analysis of net debt and the movements in net debt arising from financing activities for each of the periods is as presented below :

	Borrowings Birr'000	Leases Birr'000	Total Birr'000
Net debt as at 01 July 2022	27,279,065	831,896	28,110,960
Net cashflows	(7,557,034)	(116,898)	(7,673,932)
Foreign exchange adjustments	1,755,374	-	1,755,374
Other changes (effective interest and other finar	662,938	273,250	936,188
Net debt as at 30 June 2023	22,140,342	988,248	23,128,591
Net debt as at 01 July 2023	22,140,342	988,248	23,128,591
Net cashflows	(6,586,064)	(334,930)	(6,920,994)
Foreign exchange adjustments	1,572,141	-	1,572,141
Other changes (effective interest and other finar	559,286	376,963	936,249
Net debt as at 30 June 2024	17,685,706	1,030,281	18,715,986



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	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
18 Defined benefit obligations		
Defined benefits liabilities:		
- Communication benefit	70,204	161,532
- Farewell benefit	28,809	25,834
- Funeral benefit	94,566	74,601
- Gratuity benefit	237,921	201,102
- Post retirement medical benefit	538,325	174,118
- Bereavement benefit	37,826	36,542
Liability in the statement of financial position	1,007,651	673,729
Statement of profit or loss charge included in personnel expenses:		
- Communication benefit	34,702	36,613
- Farewell benefit	6,621	6,512
- Funeral benefit	22,748	18,444
- Gratuity benefit	67,514	58,547
- Post retirement medical benefit	62,816	64,191
- Bereavement benefit	11,233	11,067
Total defined benefit expenses	205,634	195,374
Remeasurements for:		
- Communication benefit	(115,971)	(32,622)
- Farewell benefit	382	(4,703)
- Funeral benefit	2,195	(315)
- Gratuity benefit	(4,525)	4,317
- Post retirement medical benefit	312,936	(145,205)
- Bereavement benefit	(8,621)	(7,519)
	186,396	(186,047)

The statement of profit or loss charge included within employee expenses includes current service cost, interest cost, past service costs on the defined benefit schemes.

Maturity analysis

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Current	51,077	76,288
Non-Current	956,574	597,441
	1,007,651	673,729

The significant actuarial assumptions were as follows:

i) **Financial assumptions applied**

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Discount Rate (p.a) for all benefits	21.60%	21.65%
Salary increase rate (p.a) for funeral, gratuity and post retirement medical benefits	19.60%	19.65%
Inflation rate (p.a) for all benefits except gratuity		
Inflation rate (p.a) for gratuity		
Inflation rate (p.a) for all benefits	13.17%	13.60%
Benefits increase rate (p.a) for communication/farewell Benefits	9.5%/3.70%	9.38%



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ii) Mortality in Service

The rate of mortality assumed for employees are those according to the Demographic and Health Survey ("DHS") of Ethiopia as below:

Age	Mortality rate	
	Males	Females
20	0.31%	0.22%
25	0.30%	0.23%
30	0.36%	0.31%
35	0.41%	0.28%
40	0.52%	0.32%
45	0.45%	0.43%
50	0.76%	0.44%
55	1.04%	0.86%
60	1.76%	1.60%

Post retirement mortality rates were assumed to follow KE01-03 mortality. Sample rates are provided below:

Age	Mortality rate	
	Males	Females
65	4.12%	2.48%
70	8.55%	4.30%
75	13.51%	9.66%
80	20.85%	28.95%
85	28.97%	11.74%
90	40.99%	50.38%



iii) Withdrawal from Service

The withdrawal rates are believed to be reasonably representative of the Ethiopian experience. The valuation assumed a rate of withdrawal of 8.00% at the youngest ages falling with increasing age to 0.50% at age 50.

The sensitivity of the overall defined benefit liabilities to changes in the weighted principal assumptions is as below:

Change in assumption	Impact on communication benefit obligation			
	30 June 2024		30 June 2023	
	Impact of an increase	Impact of a decrease	Impact of an increase	Impact of a decrease
	Birr'000	Birr'000	Birr'000	Birr'000
Discount rate	1%	(117,642)	(57,568)	69,360
Benefit Rate	1%	137,673	72,096	(60,592)
Mortality Rate	10%	(9,086)	12,765	(13,003)

The above sensitivity analysis is based on changes in an assumption while holding all other assumptions constant. In practice, this is unlikely to occur and changes in some of the assumptions may be correlated. When calculating the sensitivity of the defined benefit obligations to significant actuarial assumptions the same method, present value of the defined benefit obligation calculated with the projected unit credit method at the end of the reporting period has been applied as when calculating the defined benefits liabilities recognised within the statement of financial position.

Projected defined benefit obligations

The effect of the defined benefit plans on the Enterprise's future cash flows is summarised as below :

<u>Projected benefit payments</u>	<u>Birr'000</u>
Year ending 30 June 2025	51,077
Year ending 30 June 2026	58,614
Year ending 30 June 2027	67,814
Year ending 30 June 2028	76,954
Year ending 30 June 2029	48,121
Total projected benefits payments over 5 years	302,580

Risks to the Enterprise in respect of the benefits are summarised and described below:

Take-up risk: if the proportions of employees who will take up various parts of the benefits increases from current reported utilization, the cost to the Enterprise will increase;

Inflation Risk: if costs of the benefits increase at a faster rate than that assumed inflation rate, the cost to the Enterprise will increase;



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Demographic risk: if more employees retire than expected, the cost to the Enterprise will increase;

Cashflow risk: similarly, if more employees retire than expected, the Enterprise will need to allocate additional cashflows to pay for the benefits; and

Discount rate risk: if bond yields drop significantly from year to year, the liabilities and costs will increase. This will not impact the ultimate cost of the benefit but may adversely affect the Enterprise's statement of financial position in the short term.



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19 Contract liabilities, provisions, trade and other payables

	Note	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
19(a) Contract liabilities			
Contract liabilities		8,099,163	8,231,309
Contract liabilities relate mainly to unused airtime and other revenues (connection, reconnection and installation fees received) where the Enterprise has not fulfilled performance obligations to customers.			
19(b) Trade and other payables			
Trade payables			
Foreign creditors		18,973,052	16,647,378
Local creditors		12,271,187	10,538,795
Mobile Money Payables		7,117,552	5,010,124
		38,361,791	32,196,297
Other payables			
Accrual Payables		19,388,930	17,546,942
Other taxes		1,351,200	150,553
Retention Payable		1,219,333	1,841,592
Leave accrual		1,612,599	1,154,876
Deposits received		482,821	302,134
Sundry creditors		1,484,860	443,947
		25,539,743	21,440,044
		63,901,534	53,636,341
19(c) Provisions			
Provision for legal expense		20,198	31,956
Provision for lease restoration costs		159,549	127,778
		179,747	159,734
Balance at the beginning of the year			
Balance at start of the year		159,734	98,068
Provision in the period		20,013	61,666
		179,747	159,734

Provisions relate to legal claims and restoration costs which are of uncertain timing or amount.

	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Current		
Provision for lease restoration	20,198	31,956
Provision for legal expense	20,198	31,956
Non-Current		
Provision for lease restoration	159,549	127,778
	179,747	159,734



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20 Capital

The Enterprise Capital has been amended in 2021 by regulation No.480/2021. As per the amendment the enterprise paid up capital is ETB 100 billion which is paid in cash and in kind.

21 Legal reserve

The legal reserve is a statutory reserve. The legal reserve is accumulated by transferring 5% of annual net profits to the reserve until the amount reaches 20% of paid up capital.

22 Other reserves

Other reserves include remeasurement gains and losses on employee defined benefit schemes arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions. See further details in Note 19.

	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Birr'000	Birr'000
At the beginning of the year	170,174	39,941
Re-measurement gains on defined benefit plans	(186,396)	186,047
Deferred tax (liability)/asset on remeasurement gain or loss	55,919	(55,814)
At the end of the year	<u>39,697</u>	<u>170,174</u>

23 Retained earnings

Restatement have been made on retained earnings with a total amount of ETB 15,433,102 of which a long aged Customs insurance and Freight(CIF) ETB 1,850,392, A long outstanding inventory due to systems integration problem 1,847,154, unit price error during calculation of Net realizable value ETB 3,962,576, a net balance reduction effect of ETB 265,030 (3,962,576-1,850,392 -1,847,154), the effect of change in inventory on Deferred asset 79,510 and for the fulfillment of paid up capital stated on memorandum of association ETB 11,550,037.



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24 Cash generated from operating activities	Notes	30 June 2024 Birr'000	30 June 2023 Birr'000
Profit before tax		29,790,459	28,186,778
Adjustments:			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	11	7,529,546	5,785,449
Depreciation charge on right of use assets	12	424,275	383,706
Amortisation of intangible assets	13	403,420	323,310
Depreciation charge of Investment Property	13(a)	4,395	
Amortisation of grants	17	25	20
Employee defined benefit Expense	18	186,396	(186,047)
Effect of Remeasurment on Right of use Asset	12	(282,392)	(248,780)
Effect of Remeasurment on Lease Liability	12	270,244	176,588
Write (down) or writeback on inventory	8	(290,542)	(1,363,664)
Impairment of trade receivables	14(b)	232,388	347,607
Gains from sale of property, plant and equipment	8	(124,513)	(181,928)
Interest income arising from investments	9	(10,560)	(30,446)
Interest income arising from fair valuation of staff loans	9	(47)	(1,318)
Interest expense	9	745,756	775,262
Net foreign exchange (gains) / losses	9	2,149,584	2,017,374
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
-Decrease/ (Increase) in inventories	15	(3,594,360)	(7,326,984)
-Decrease/ (Increase) in trade receivables	14(b)	(2,964,466)	(590,875)
-Decrease/ (Increase) in other assets	14(a)	(1,591,438)	(607,943)
-Decrease/ (Increase) in other financial assets at amortised cost		4,553	27,453
-Increase/ (Decrease) in defined benefit liabilities	18	147,526	150,419
-Increase/ (Decrease) in contract liabilities	19(a)	(132,146)	1,262,510
-Increase/ (Decrease) in grants arising from loans at below market interest rate		(2)	(20)
-Increase/ (Decrease) in grants arising from leasehold land		(21)	(21)
-Increase/ (Decrease) in provisions	19(c)	20,013	61,666
-Increase/ (Decrease) in trade and other payables	19(b)	10,265,199	14,811,512
		43,183,292	43,771,628



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25 Related party transactions

Related parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operation decisions, or one other party controls both.

The related parties for the Enterprise include management board members and key management personnel. Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the enterprise, directly or indirectly, including any management board members.

In the normal course of business, a number of transactions are entered into with related parties i.e. staff, management board members or companies associated with management board members. These include staff loans and employment compensations. These are disclosed below:

25(a) Loans to key management

The aggregate value of outstanding interest free loan related to key management personnel are as follows. The market rate used to discount the loan is 11.5%.The loans are secured by the key management's terminal benefits. Management has assessed the attrition rate for permanent staff as being low. As such, the loss given default for staff loans is deemed to be low and consequently the expected credit losses as immaterial.

	<u>30 June 2024</u>	<u>30 June 2023</u>
	<u>Birr'000</u>	<u>Birr'000</u>
Loans to key management	-	22

25(b) Key management compensation

Key management has been determined to be the members of the management board and the executive management of the Enterprise. The compensation paid or payable to key management is shown below. Key management also receive free communication benefits (mobile equipments and telecommunication services) , vehicle and monthly fuel coupon as per the Enterprise's benefit policy. Such costs are expensed within employee benefit expenses in the statement of profit or loss.

	<u>30 June 2024</u>	<u>30 June 2023</u>
	<u>Birr'000</u>	<u>Birr'000</u>
Executive management's compensation	112,715	93,987
Management board's remuneration	3,260	1,750

25(c) Employees

i) The average number of persons employed by the Enterprise during the period was as follows:

	<u>30 June 2024</u>	<u>30 June 2023</u>
Technician Team	7,396	6,751
Commercial Team	5,502	5,662
Support Team	3,844	4,763
	<u>16,742</u>	<u>17,176</u>

ii) The table below shows the number of employees, emoluments in the first quarter ended 30 June 2024 and were within the bands stated below:

	<u>30 June 2024</u>	<u>30 June 2023</u>
10,000 - 30,000	-	-
30,001 - 50,000	1	-
50,001 - 100,000	3	488
Above 100,000	16,738	16,688
	<u>16,742</u>	<u>17,176</u>



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26 Contingent liabilities

The Enterprise is a party to numerous legal actions brought by different organizations and individuals arising from its normal business operations. The Enterprise considers it to be probable that some judgements will not be in its favour and should therefore recognise a provision in relation to these claims as disclosed under Note 20.

The potential undiscounted amount of the total payments that the Enterprise could be required to make if there was an adverse decision related to the numerous legal actions is estimated to be approximately Birr 47,230 (30 June 2023: Birr 59,814).

27 Launch of Mobile Money Operation

The Enterprise has started mobile money business, branded as "telebirr" with the license number of NPS PII /01/2021 to provide digitalized financial services to its customers. The services include cash in, cash out, airtime top up, cash transfer, fund raising, mobile remittance, merchant transaction payments, cash deposit, microcredit and various utility payments.

28 Events after reporting period

Except as disclosed below, there were no significant events that occurred between 30 June 2024 and the date of issue of these financial statements.

28(a) Foreign Currency Policy Change

The Federal Government of Ethiopia announced the execution of the Macro economic Policy on 28 July 2024 by enacting implementation guideline directive No FXD/01/2024 effective on 29 July 2024.

The directive revokes different restrictions on foreign currency management such as, but not limited to, cessation of NBE's authority to determine the daily forex rate against ETB, allowing the opening of bank accounts denominated in foreign currency in the country by any residents, and enterprise, unrestricted use of own foreign currency, buying and selling foreign currency from open market with a competitive exchange rate and so on.

The adoption of the policy and the enactment of the directive have pros and cons to Ethio Telecom's Share Company current and forthcoming daily operations since the enterprise has foreign currency denominated

28(b) Government plans to sell stake in Ethio Telecom

The Ethiopian Investment Holdings (EIH) plans to sell a 10% stake to the public

28(c) The Enterprise Naming change

In accordance with Article 6(1) of the public enterprises privatization Proclamation No.1206/2020 the enterprise is renamed as Ethio telecom Share company on July 1, 2024.

29 Date of Authorization

The financial statements on pages 11 to 55 were authorised for issue by Chief Executive Officer on 16 August 2024

