

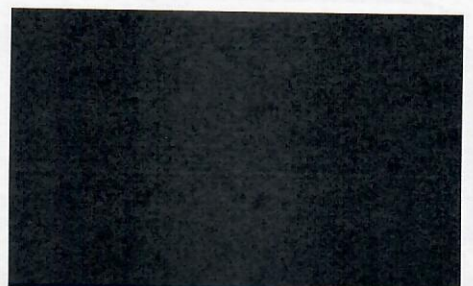
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**Hong Kong Productivity Council -**

***Feasibility study and trial on improvement of durability  
and strength of fish containers for marine fish***

*(Ref. No.: SFDF – 0033)*

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## Independent Auditor's Assurance Report

To the Council Members

### **Hong Kong Productivity Council (the "Council") - Feasibility study and trial on improvement of durability and strength of fish containers for marine fish (the "Project")**

Pursuant to the project agreement made between the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") and the Council dated 28 October 2019 ("Agreement"), and the Sustainable Fisheries Development Fund ("SFDF") – "Application Guidelines" in respect of the SFDF project under the SFDF, we have undertaken a reasonable assurance engagement on the final accounts of the Project (Project number: SFDF – 0033) as set out on pages 4 to 8 which comprise the income and expenditure statement, balance sheet, cash flow statement for the period from 1 November 2019 (date of commencement) to 31 March 2023 (date of completion), and notes to the accounts ("Project Accounts").

#### **The Council's Responsibilities**

Pursuant to the Agreement, the Council are to comply with the requirements (including the requirements to keep proper books and records and to prepare proper Project Accounts), and all the terms and conditions of SFDF, as specified in the following documents:


- (a) the Agreement in respect of the Project and the appendices thereto (which include the Project proposal);
- (b) the relevant Application Guidelines referred to in the Agreement; and
- (c) all instructions and correspondences issued by the Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation ("DAFC") to the Council in respect of the Project.

#### **Our Independence And Quality Management**

We have complied with the independence and other ethical requirements of the *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behaviour.

The firm applies Hong Kong Standard on Quality Management 1 "Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Statements, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements", which requires the firm to design, implement and operate a system of quality management including policies or procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.





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#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Project Accounts, based on our work performed and to report our opinion.

We conducted our engagement in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised) "Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information" issued by the HKICPA and with reference to the Notes for Auditors of Recipient Organisations issued in October 2023 by the SFDF Secretariat (the "Notes"). We have planned and performed our work to obtain reasonable assurance for giving our opinion below.


Our engagement includes performing the procedures set out in the Notes and examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the requirements (including the requirements to keep proper books and records and to prepare proper Project Accounts), and all the terms and conditions of the SFDF, as specified in the documents mentioned in the Council's Responsibilities section have been complied with, in all material respects.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Opinion**

Based on the foregoing, in our opinion, the Council has complied with, in all material respects, the requirements set by DAFC (including the requirements to keep proper books and records and to prepare proper Project Accounts), and all the terms and conditions of the SFDF, as specified in the documents mentioned in the Council's Responsibilities section.






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### **Intended Users and Purpose**

This report is intended for filing with the Government of the HKSAR pursuant to the Agreement and is not intended to be, and should not be, distributed to or used by, anyone for any other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of our report.



*Certified Public Accountants*  
Hong Kong, 28 August 2025





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**Income and Expenditure Account**

Period from 1 November 2019 (date of commencement) to 31 March 2023 (date of completion)

		Period from 1 November 2022 to 31 March 2023	Period from 1 November 2019 (date of commencement) to 31 October 2022	Period from 1 November 2019 (date of commencement) to 31 March 2023 (date of completion)
	Note	HK\$	HK\$	HK\$
<b>Income</b>				
Funding from SFDF	2	-	3,209,812.50	3,209,812.50
Interest income		1,262.82	45.72	1,308.54
<b>Total income</b>		<u>1,262.82</u>	<u>3,209,858.22</u>	<u>3,211,121.04</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Development of PP fish containers		198,592.24	16,815.00	215,407.24
Development of ETPE fish containers		636,960.62	526,872.05	1,163,832.67
Other operational expenses		52,021.00	8,384.70	60,405.70
Staff expenditures		212,528.00	1,290,472.50	1,503,000.50
Consumables		-	4,151.00	4,151.00
Administrative cost		10,400.00	25,200.00	35,600.00
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>1,110,501.86</u>	<u>1,871,895.25</u>	<u>2,982,397.11</u>
<b>(Deficit) Surplus for the period</b>		<u>(1,109,239.04)</u>	<u>1,337,962.97</u>	<u>228,723.93</u>



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**Balance Sheet**  
At 31 March 2023

	At 31 March 2023 HK\$	At 31 October 2022 HK\$
<b>ASSETS AND LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Bank balance	<u>283,355.50</u>	<u>1,381,184.40</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Creditors and accruals	<u>54,631.57</u>	<u>43,221.43</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><u>228,723.93</u></u>	<u><u>1,337,962.97</u></u>
 <b>Represented by:</b>		
Accumulated surplus	<u><u>228,723.93</u></u>	<u><u>1,337,962.97</u></u>

Approved by the Executive Director on behalf of Hong Kong Productivity Council on 28 AUG 2025



Executive Director



Chief Financial Officer  
Finance & Procurement Division



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**Cash Flow Statement**

Period from 1 November 2019 (date of commencement) to 31 March 2023 (date of completion)

	Period from 1 November 2022 to 31 March 2023 HK\$	Period from 1 November 2019 (date of commencement) to 31 October 2022 HK\$	Period from 1 November 2019 (date of commencement) to 31 March 2023 (date of completion) HK\$
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
(Deficit) Surplus for the period	(1,109,239.04)	1,337,962.97	228,723.93
Interest income	(1,262.82)	(45.72)	(1,308.54)
Changes in working capital:			
Increase in creditors and accruals	11,410.14	43,221.43	54,631.57
<b>Net cash (used in) generated from operating activities</b>	<b>(1,099,091.72)</b>	<b>1,381,138.68</b>	<b>282,046.96</b>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITY</b>			
Interest received	1,262.82	45.72	1,308.54
<b>Net cash generated from investing activity</b>	<b>1,262.82</b>	<b>45.72</b>	<b>1,308.54</b>
<b>Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(1,097,828.90)</b>	<b>1,381,184.40</b>	<b>283,355.50</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period</b>	<b>1,381,184.40</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of period, represented by bank balances</b>	<b>283,355.50</b>	<b>1,381,184.40</b>	<b>283,355.50</b>



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**Notes to the Accounts**

Period from 1 November 2019 (date of commencement) to 31 March 2023 (date of completion)

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**1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Sustainable Fisheries Development Fund ("SFDF") accounting requirements, as specified in the following documents:

- the project agreement made between the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") and the Council (the "Agreement") in respect of the Project and the appendices thereto (which includes the Project proposal);
- the relevant Application Guidelines referred to in the Agreement; and
- all instructions and correspondences issued by the Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation to the Council in respect of the Project.

A summary of the principal accounting policies adopted by the Council is set out below.

**Basis of preparation**

The measurement basis used in the preparation of the accounts is historical cost.

**Revenue recognition**

Funding from SFDF is recognised when the Council's rights to receive payment has been established.

Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable.

**2. FUNDING FROM SFDF**

The Council entered into the Agreement with the Government of the HKSAR on 28 October 2019 that a fund under SFDF in the sum of HK\$3,378,750.00 to be made available by the Government of the HKSAR to the Council for the carrying out and completion of the Project of which HK\$3,209,812.50 was received during the reporting period.



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**3. DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

	Agreed budget total HK\$	Approved variations# HK\$	Agreed revised budget total HK\$	Actual total HK\$	Agreed revised budget total less actual total HK\$	Actual total for period from 1 November 2022 to 31 March 2023 HK\$
<b>INCOME</b>						
Funding from SFDF	3,378,750.00	-	3,378,750.00	3,209,812.50	168,937.50	-
Interest income	-	-	-	1,308.54	(1,308.54)	1,262.82
<b>Total income</b>	<b>3,378,750.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,378,750.00</b>	<b>3,211,121.04</b>	<b>167,628.96</b>	<b>1,262.82</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
<b>Other direct cost</b>						
<b>Development of PP fish containers (No. 1-6)</b>						
1. Design and manufacturing of molds and accessories	225,000.00	(223,400.00)	1,600.00	1,600.00	-	-
2. Manufacturing of prototypes	10,000.00	(8,835.00)	1,165.00	1,165.00	-	-
3. Small batch of production for field trials	20,000.00	(8,350.00)	11,650.00	11,650.00	-	-
4. Manufacturing of improved prototypes	10,000.00	-	10,000.00	8,248.24	1,751.76	8,248.24
5. Small batch of production of improved fish containers for field trials	60,000.00	150,000.00	210,000.00	190,344.00	19,656.00	190,344.00
6. Modification cost for design and manufacturing for molds and accessories	75,000.00	(72,600.00)	2,400.00	2,400.00	-	-
<b>Development of ETPE fish containers (No. 7-12)</b>						
7. Design and manufacturing of molds and accessories	315,000.00	(143,000.00)	172,000.00	168,789.20	3,210.80	(2,680.94)
8. Manufacturing of prototypes	35,000.00	(5,000.00)	30,000.00	29,109.60	890.40	-
9. Small batch of production for field trials	215,000.00	25,000.00	240,000.00	222,634.50	17,365.50	(15,700.35)
10. Manufacturing of improved prototypes	35,000.00	23,000.00	58,000.00	52,304.95	5,695.05	23,195.35
11. Small batch of production of improved fish containers for field trials	645,000.00	13,000.00	658,000.00	579,529.51	78,470.49	579,529.51
12. Modification cost for design and manufacturing for molds and accessories	105,000.00	25,000.00	130,000.00	111,464.91	18,535.09	52,617.05
<b>Other operational expenses (No. 13-17)</b>						
13. Laboratory analytical testing fee	70,000.00	(57,000.00)	13,000.00	8,700.00	4,300.00	3,750.00
14. Project publicity activities (site rental, decoration, audio-visual settings and consumables)	40,000.00	-	40,000.00	17,231.00	22,769.00	17,231.00
15. Search and purchase of international standards and information	40,000.00	(40,000.00)	-	-	-	-
16. Transportation expenses for delivering new fish containers	52,500.00	185,132.50	237,632.50	34,474.70	203,157.80	31,040.00
17. Travel expenses to the manufacturing factory (including transportation fee and accommodation)	30,000.00	(30,000.00)	-	-	-	-
<b>Staff Expenditures (No. 18-22)</b>						
18. 1 Senior Consultant (full-time)	220,950.00	12,275.00	233,225.00	342,718.00	(109,493.00)	125,450.50
Less: Borne by HKPC	-	-	-	(109,493.00)	109,493.00	(109,493.00)
19. 2 Consultants (full-time)	654,500.00	146,327.50	800,827.50	800,827.50	-	87,609.50
20. 3 Associate Consultants (full-time)	240,750.00	-	240,750.00	239,252.00	1,498.00	52,216.00
21. 2 Officers (full-time)	169,750.00	72,750.00	242,500.00	229,696.00	12,804.00	56,745.00
22. 2 Principal Consultants (to be funded by grantee)	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Consumables (No. 23)</b>						
23. Personal protective gears (for one-site trial)	30,000.00	(20,000.00)	10,000.00	4,151.00	5,849.00	-
<b>Administrative Cost (No. 24-25)</b>						
24. External Audit Fee	24,000.00	12,000.00	36,000.00	35,600.00	400.00	10,400.00
25. Contingency	56,300.00	(56,300.00)	-	-	-	-
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>3,378,750.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,378,750.00</b>	<b>2,982,397.11</b>	<b>396,352.89</b>	<b>1,110,501.86</b>
<b>Surplus</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>228,723.93</b>	<b>(228,723.93)</b>	<b>(1,109,239.04)</b>

# Included approved variations up to July 2024.



