

PRESS RELEASE

- Flame Tree Group pre-tax profit up by 64% (148,4 million) and EBITDA up by 101%.
- Profit after tax for FY2020 increased by +67% up to 75.2 million.
- Gross margin growth 39% (+318.8 million vs. LY) from 34% to 39%.
- Sales up by +20%

April 15th **2021, Nairobi** - FTG Holdings (FTGH: NSE) the diversified manufacturer and distributor of plastic tanks, cosmetics, snacks, spices and playground equipment, is pleased to announce a 64% increase in pretax profit up to KES148.4 million for the FY 2020 from KES90.5 million posted the previous year.

The Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) Listed firm confirmed that all profit ratios showed major improvements; sales increased by 20% and gross margin grew by 39% from 34 p.p. to 39 p.p.

The company was able to cut down costs and achieve savings in all areas, following the implementation of a cost saving plan; however, there was an increase in depreciation costs (due to new equipment and asset revaluation from previous year), debt impairment and finance costs (impacted by the devaluation of the Kenyan Shilling) in FY2020.

All this enabled the company to achieve an outstanding improvement of +101% in EBITDA vs LY, up to 393.4 million.

KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS	2019 2020		%VAR.
Net Profit	44,936,245	75,180,433	67%
EBITDA	196,130,414	393,421,662	101%
Net Debt/EBIDTA	2.7	1.7	
Return on Equity (Ebitda)	19%	36%	
Revenue Growth	-2.6%	20.0.%	
Gross Margin	34%	39%	
EBITDA/Interest Expense	3.1	3.2	
DSO (Days sales outstanding)	55	50	
Interest Coverage (Ebitda)	3.10	3.16	
Gearing Ratio (net debt/net assets)	0.50	0.62	

According to Mr. Heril Bangera, CEO Flame Tree Group, "We are very satisfied with the results achieved this year, despite all challenges in the most difficult year amid the global pandemic, the company has reacted fast to preserve its cash, protect employment, seize every commercial opportunity, even launching new products designed to fight the Covid 19 and continue to show a remarkable growth for the third year in a row".



The company is also showing a strong and healthy financial position, with improvement in Net Debt/EBITDA ratio, now down to x1.7 (LY was x2.7).

"Our receivables have been kept under tight control, and despite the impairment of some receivables - mainly related to Tuskys Supermarket - the DSO ratio improved by 4 days," said Mr. Bangera.

Net assets of the company showed an accumulated growth in the last 3 years of 33.4%.

Business Outlook

In FTGH we remain committed to our vision of Creating World Class African Brands for our customers in the countries where we currently operate and beyond. We shall continue to grow our business lines and strive to be market leaders in the plastics segment. The company has already done significant investments in plastic packaging machinery and equipment, as we gear up to grow our production capacity. The company shows healthy financial ratios, and we believe the performance in the last 3 years will give confidence to our stakeholders and investors.

Unfortunately, the pandemic is still with us and continues to create big challenges: partial or total lockdowns, delays in logistics, increase in raw material costs, and the devaluation of the KES (our base currency). We continue to strategize towards compensating all negative impacts as we keep working to achieve higher levels of efficiency in all areas and to gain new customers and diversify our product portfolio.

Dividend

The board of directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year ended 31 Dec 2020.

Annual General Meeting

The 7th Annual General Meeting of the members will be held on 30th June 2021 at 11 am in Nairobi via Virtual Media as mandated by the CMA. Formal notice of the AGM will follow.

For a copy of Flame Tree Group's financial statements, please visit www.flametreegroup.com

About Flame Tree Group

Flame Tree Group is listed under the Growth and Enterprise Market Segment (GEMS) on the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE) as NSE: FTGH. Flame Tree Group is a world-class corporation in the heart of Africa that manufactures and distributes quality and affordable brands. Its strategy is to build a diversified portfolio of African-manufactured brands for African consumers, covering plastics, cosmetics and food in multiple markets and verticals.

The Group has operations in Kenya, Rwanda, Ethiopia, Mauritius, Mozambique and UAE. The company was founded in 1989 and now employs over 1,000 people, who are focused on delivering quality, value and innovation to improve customer's lives.

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For and behalf of the Board

George Theobald Heril Bangera
Chairman CEO



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Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

	Group			
	2020	2019		
	Shs	Shs		
Revenue	2,910,676,573	2,424,753,503		
Cost of sales	(1,769,160,997)	(1,602,069,716)		
Gross profit	1,141,515,576	822,683,787		
Other operating income	1,634,879	6,682,401		
Other operating gains	831,226	1,615,351		
Selling and distribution expenses	(290,500,234)	(305,048,681)		
Administrative expenses	(477,655,526)	(302,703,249)		
Other operating expenses	(68,991,742)	(57,485,492)		
Operating profit/(loss)	306,834,179	165,744,117		
Finance cost	(158,420,765)	(75,213,959)		
Profit/(loss) before taxation	148,413,414	90,530,158		
Current tax	(46,203,702)	(30,415,764)		
Deferred tax	(27,029,280)	(15,178,149)		
Profit/(loss) for the year	75,180,432	44,936,245		
Other comprehensive income:				
Other comprehensive income that may be reclassified to				
profit or loss in subsequent periods:				
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(42,020,911)	(6,020,710)		
Other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified	, , , ,	, , , , ,		
to profit or loss in subsequent periods:				
Gains on property revaluation	-	229,670,444		
Income tax relating to items that will not be reclassified	-	(45,145,397)		
Other comprehensive income for the year net of tax	(42,020,911)	178,504,337		
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	33,159,521	223,440,582		
Basic earnings per share				
Earnings per share — On profit/(loss)	0.42	0.25		
Earnings per share — On total comprehensive income	0.19 1.25			



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Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2020

	Gro	Group		
	2020	2019		
Assets	Shs	Shs		
Non-current assets	4 000 005 405	4 0 40 0 40 407		
Property, plant and equipment	1,060,685,487	1,043,842,107		
Right-of-use assets	107,002,950	-		
Goodwill	71,851,809	71,851,809		
Intangible assets	92,638,637	86,145,049		
Investments in subsidiaries	-	-		
Deferred tax asset				
	1,332,178,883	1,201,838,965		
Current assets	1,002,170,000	1,201,000,000		
Inventories	500,574,015	341,685,344		
Trade and other receivables	582,902,974	641,869,089		
Current tax receivable	13,476,353	7,033,454		
Cash and cash equivalents	59,917,048	88,741,088		
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	1,156,870,390	1,079,328,975		
Total Assets	2,489,049,273	2,281,167,940		
Equity and Liabilities				
Equity				
Share capital	146,894,092	146,894,092		
Share premium	152,450,453	152,450,453		
Revaluation reseres	347,121,399	347,121,399		
Legal reserve	3,665,461	3,665,461		
Translation reserve	(52,184,317)	(10,163,406)		
Retained income	486,975,706	417,174,378		
	1,084,922,794	1,057,142,377		
Liabilities				
Non-Current Liabilities				
Borrowings	211,417,865	284,947,082		
Lease liabilities	88,098,285	-		
Deferred tax liabilities	62,317,757	48,905,214		
	361,833,907	333,852,296		
Current Liabilities				
Trade and other payables	495,759,465	540,822,020		
Borrowings	242,109,428	314,246,832		
Lease liabilities	26,159,717	-		
Bank overdrafts	278,263,962	22,321,819		
Current tax payable	-	12,782,597		
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	1,042,292,572	890,173,268		
Total Liabilities	1,404,126,479	1,224,025,564		
Total Equity and Liabilities	2,489,049,273	2,281,167,941		



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Statement of cashflows

	Group		
	2020	2019	
	Shs	Shs	
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	248,479,626	240,887,732	
Finance costs	(158,420,765)	(75,213,959)	
Interest paid on lease liabilities	(12,444,662)	-	
Tax paid	(65,169,585)	(32,442,236)	
Net cash (used in)/from operating activities	12,444,614	133,231,537	
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(82,729,419)	(253,163,591)	
Payments for right-of-use assets	(28,638,842)	-	
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	1,110,000	2,758,621	
Purchase of other intangible assets	(5,149,188)	(2,707,420)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(115,407,449)	(253,112,390)	
Cash flows from financing activities			
(Repayment of)/proceeds from borrowings	(145,666,621)	287,848,789	
Payments of principal portion of the lease liability	(16,194,180)		
Net cash (used in)/from financing activities	(161,860,801)	287,848,789	
Net movements in cash and cash equivalents	(264,823,636)	167,967,936	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	66,419,269	(101,548,667)	
Effects of foreign currency translations	(19,942,547)		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	(218,346,914)	66,419,269	



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Statement of changes in equity

Group	Share Capital Shs	Share premium Shs	Legal reserve Shs	Translation reserve Shs	Revaluation reserve Shs	Retained income Shs	Total Shs
As at 01 January 2019	146,894,092	152,450,453	3,665,461	(4,142,696)	141,929,031	372,238,133	813,034,474
Translation reserve	-	-	-	(6,020,710)	-	-	(6,020,710)
Revaluation for the year	-	-	-	-	205,192,368	-	205,192,368
Profit for the year		-	-	-	-	44,936,245	44,936,245
As at 31 December 2019	146,894,092	152,450,453	3,665,461	(10,163,406)	347,121,399	417,174,378	1,057,142,377
As at 01 January 2020	146,894,092	152,450,453	3,665,461	(10,163,406)	347,121,399	417,174,378	1,057,142,377
Translation reserve	-	-	-	(42,020,911)	-	-	(42,020,911)
Adjustment previous years Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	- 5,379,104 75,180,432	- 5,379,104 75,180,432
As at 31 December 2020	146,894,092	152,450,453	3,665,461	(52,184,317)	347,121,399	486,975,706	1,084,922,794