

Separate Financial Statements **March 31, 2025**(expressed in Barbados dollars)

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### Independent auditor's report

To the Board of Directors of Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited

### Our opinion

Bridgetown, Barbados XXXX

Separate Statement of Income

For the year ended March 31, 2025

(expressed in Barbados dollars)

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		2025	2024
	Notes	\$	\$
Interest income	3	86,572,875	87,099,001
Interest expense	3	(17,897,996)	(19,644,110)
Net interest income	3	68,674,879	67,454,891
Other income	4	5,817,280	5,663,328
Net interest and other income		74,492,159	73,118,219
Expected credit losses	5	(1,635,816)	(2,675,729)
Net operating income		72,856,343	70,442,490
Staff costs	6	27,259,974	23,849,756
Operating expenses	7	36,699,091	34,074,066
Depreciation	12	3,719,722	3,698,210
Total expenses		67,678,787	61,622,032
Net income for the year		5,177,556	8,820,458

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these separate financial statements.

Separate Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the year ended March 31, 2025

(expressed in Barbados dollars)			
	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Net income for the year		5,177,556	8,820,458
Other comprehensive income/(loss)			
Items that will never be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Re-measurements of defined benefit plan Net unrealised (loss)/gain on FVOCI equity investments	13 20	(486,868) (106,774)	(322,415) 114,780
Other comprehensive loss		(593,642)	(207,635)
Total comprehensive income for the year		4,583,914	8,612,823

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these separate financial statements.

Separate Statement of Financial Position

As at March 31, 2025

(expressed in Barbados dollars)			
		2025	2024
	Notes	\$	\$
Assets			
Cash resources	9	477,039,035	448,504,688
Financial investments:			
- Amortised cost	10	65,518,001	61,902,965
- FVOCI	10	2,938,342	3,045,116
- FVTPL	10	10,059,452	10,059,452
Loans and advances	11	1,127,963,547	1,131,733,122
Property and equipment	12	47,836,428	46,780,144
Pension plan asset	13	3,190,457	3,250,102
Investment in subsidiary companies	14	12,500,000	12,500,000
Due from related companies	21	22,266,968	23,078,262
Other assets	15	42,234,180	20,505,766
<b>Total Assets</b>		1,811,546,410	1,761,359,617
Liabilities and Equity			
Liabilities			Ø I
Deposits	16	1,565,368,739	1,524,797,065
Reimbursable shares		32,619,237	27,361,694
Other liabilities	17	16,465,262	14,347,240
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		1,614,453,238	1,566,505,999
Equity			
Share capital	18	13,985,580	13,650,780
Statutory reserves	19	166,977,273	166,925,879
Other reserves	20	9,322,791	8,272,841
Retained earnings	20	6,807,528	6,004,118
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Total Liabilities and Equity		197,093,172	194,000,010
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Approved by the Board of Directors on

and signed on its behalf by:

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President

Rochelle Belgrave

Treasurer

Separate Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended March 31, 2025

(expressed in Barbados dollars)

	Notes	Share capital \$	Statutory reserves \$	Other reserves	Retained earnings	Total \$
At April 1, 2023		13,334,160	162,810,107	7,628,628	4,916,110	188,689,005
Net income for the year		_	_	_	8,820,458	8,820,458
Other comprehensive loss		_	_	(207,635)	_	(207,635)
Issue of shares	18	431,580	_	_	_	431,580
Redemption of shares	18	(114,960)		_	_	(114,960)
Transfer to statutory reserves	19		4,097,877	_	(4,097,877)	
Entrance fees	19	_	17,895	_	_	17,895
Transfer to special reserves	20	_	_	1,040,140	(1,040,140)	_
Special reserves released to retained earnings	20	_	_	(1,157,692)	1,157,692	_
Net reserve for interest on non-performing				( ) ) )	, ,	
loans	20	_	_	969,400	(969,400)	_
Distributions to members	8				(2,782,725)	(2,782,725)
At March 31, 2024		13,650,780	166,925,879	8,272,841	6,004,118	194,853,618
Net income for the year		_	_	_	5,177,556	5,177,556
Other comprehensive loss		_	_	(593,642)	_	(593,642)
Issue of shares	18	467,520	_	<del>-</del>	_	467,520
Redemption of shares	18	(132,720)	_	_	_	(132,720)
Transfer to statutory reserves	19	(102,720)	34,364	_	(34,364)	(102,720)
Entrance fees	19	_	17,030	_	(- 1,5-0-1)	17,030
Transfer to special reserves	20	_	-	1,022,257	(1,022,257)	-
Special reserves released to retained earnings	20	_	_	(824,375)	824,375	_
Net reserve for interest on non-performing	-0			(021,070)	021,070	_
loans	20	_	_	1,445,710	(1,445,710)	_
Distributions to members	8	_	_	-	(2,696,190)	(2,696,190)
Distributions to memoris	Ū				(2,0/0,1/0)	(2,0,0,1,0)
At March 31, 2025		13,985,580	166,977,273	9,322,791	6,307,528	197,093,172

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these separate financial statements.

# Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited Separate Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended March 31, 2025

(expressed in Barbados dollars)			
	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income for the year		5,177,556	8,820,458
Adjustments for: Depreciation	12	3,719,722	3,698,210
Expected credit losses	5	1,635,816	2,675,729
(Gain)/loss on disposal of property and equipment	4	(85,534)	13,498
Interest income	3	(86,572,875)	(87,099,001)
Interest expense	3	17,897,996	19,644,110
Pension expense/(income)	13	483,073	395,770
Dividend income	4	(49,090)	(149,685)
		(57,793,336)	(52,000,911)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities			
Decrease in loans and advances		3,505,685	13,254,668
Increase in other assets		(21,728,414)	(2,349,191)
Increase in deposits		41,131,712	23,777,772
Increase in reimbursable shares		5,257,543	4,635,858
Decrease in due from related companies		811,294	1,512,917
Increase in other liabilities		2,880,626	3,850,650
Net cash used in operations		(25,934,890)	(7,318,237)
Interest received		85,200,949	85,849,479
Interest paid		(18,458,034)	(19,523,622)
Pension contributions paid	13	(910,296)	(852,613)
Net cash generated from operating activities		39,897,729	58,155,007
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of investments		(10,511,700)	(47,934,899)
Investments redeemed		1,858,127	3,410,071
Purchase of property and equipment	12	(4,776,006)	(2,310,948)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		85,534	91,000
Dividends received	4	49,090	149,685
Net cash used in investing activities		(13,294,955)	(46,595,091)
Carried forward		26,602,774	11,559,916

Separate Statement of Cash Flows ...continued

For the year ended March 31, 2025

(expressed in Barbados dollars)

	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Brought forward		26,602,774	11,559,916
Cash flows used in financing activities			
Principal portion of lease liability		(762,604)	(931,180)
Issue of shares	18	467,520	431,580
Entrance fees received	19	17,030	17,895
Redemption of shares	18	(132,720)	(114,960)
Distributions to members	8	(2,696,190)	(2,782,725)
Net cash used in financing activities		(3,106,964)	(3,379,390)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		23,495,810	8,180,526
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		365,132,994	356,952,468
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	9	388,628,804	365,132,994

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these separate financial statements.

Notes to the Separate Financial Statements March 31, 2025

(expressed in Barbados dollars)

### 1 Corporate Information

The Barbados Public Workers' Co-operative Credit Union Limited ("the Credit Union") was registered on May 6, 1970, under the Co-operative Societies Act of Barbados (Cap. 378A), 1990-23. Its registered office is located at "Olive Trotman House", Keith Bourne Complex, Belmont Road, St. Michael.

The principal activities of the Credit Union are the provision of savings products and credit facilities to its members and to educate them in co-operative principles.

The amendment of the financial statements is subject to the approval of the Credit Union's Board of Directors.

### 2 Accounting policies

### a) Basis of preparation

These separate financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB). The financial statements have been prepared for filing with the Credit Union's regulator, the Financial Services Commission. The Credit Union has taken advantage of the exemptions under IFRS 10, 'Consolidated financial statements' and these financial statements do not reflect the generally accepted accounting principles of IFRS, of consolidation of the accounts of subsidiary companies. The consolidated financial statements of the Credit Union and its subsidiary companies have been prepared for presentation to the shareholders.

The separate financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on June 19, 2025.

### b) Standards, amendments and interpretations mandatory for the first time for the financial year

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations became effective during the financial year but these did not have a significant effect on the Credit Union's separate financial statements.

### c) Standards issued but not yet effective

No new standards or amendments to standards that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Credit Union are expected to have a significant impact on the Credit Union's separate financial statements in the year of adoption.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

#### d) Financial instruments

#### Recognition, initial measurement and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Credit Union becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument and are measured initially at fair value plus, for an item not at Fair Value Through Profit or Loss (FVTPL), transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. Subsequent measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities is described below.

### Derecognition

Financial assets

The Credit Union derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows on the financial asset in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred, or in which the Credit Union neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset. Any interest in such derecognised financial assets that is created or retained by the Credit Union is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

On derecognition of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount of the asset (or the carrying amount allocated to the portion of the asset derecognised) and the sum of (i) the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) and (ii) any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) is recognised in profit or loss.

Any cumulative gain or loss recognised in OCI in respect of equity investment securities designated as Fair Value Through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI) is not recognised in profit or loss on derecognition of such securities but transferred to retained earnings.

#### Financial liabilities

The Credit Union derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire. The Credit Union also derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different, in which case, a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value.

On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extinguished and the consideration paid (including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed) is recognised in profit or loss.

Notes to the Separate Financial Statements March 31, 2025

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### d) Financial instruments ... continued

### Non-derivative financial assets - Classification and subsequent measurement

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost, FVOCI or FVTPL.

Financial assets are measured at initial recognition at fair value and are classified and subsequently measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

A debt instrument is measured at initial recognition at fair value and is classified and subsequently measured at FVOCI only if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held for trading, the Credit Union may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value in OCI. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis. All other equity investments are classified as measured at FVTPL. In addition, on initial recognition, the Credit Union may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCI as at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

### Business model assessment

The Credit Union makes an assessment of the objective of a business model in which an asset is held at a portfolio level because this best reflects the way the business is managed and information is provided to management. The information considered includes:

- the stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice. In particular, whether management's strategy focuses on earning contractual interest revenue, maintaining a particular interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the duration of the liabilities that are funding those assets or realising cash flows through the sale of the assets:
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Credit Union's management;
- the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and its strategy for how those risks are managed;
- how managers of the business are compensated (e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected);
- Financial assets that are held for trading or managed and whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis are measured at FVTPL because they are neither held to collect contractual cash flows nor held both to collect contractual cash flows and to sell financial assets.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

#### d) Financial instruments ... continued

### Non-derivative financial assets - Classification and subsequent measurement ... continued

Assessment of whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are SPPI, the Credit Union considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making the assessment, the Credit Union considers:

- contingent events that would change the amount and timing of cash flows;
- leverage features;
- prepayment and extension terms;
- terms that limit the Credit Union's claim to cash flows from specified assets; and
- features that modify consideration of the time value of money (e.g. periodical reset of interest rates).

### Applicability to the Credit Union

The Credit Union classifies its financial assets into one of the following categories:

- Amortised cost
- Fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)
- Fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)

### Financial assets measured at amortised cost

The Credit Union's non-derivative financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise cash and cash equivalents, term deposits, sovereign debt securities, loans and advances, other assets and due from related companies. The Credit Union measures these assets at amortised cost as its business model is to hold them to collect contractual cash flows. Its contractual terms also gives rise to the receipt of principal and interest on specified dates. These financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Credit Union changes its business model for managing these financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model. These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

### Financial assets measured at FVOCI

The Credit Union's non-derivative financial assets measured at FVOCI comprise equity securities. The Credit Union measures these assets at FVOCI as these equity investments are not held for trading and the Credit Union has irrevocably elected to present subsequent changes in the investments' fair value in OCI. These assets are measured at fair value. Dividends are recognised as income in profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI and are never reclassified to profit or loss.

#### Reclassifications

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition, except in the period after the Credit Union changes its business model for managing financial assets.

Notes to the Separate Financial Statements March 31, 2025

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

#### d) Financial instruments ... continued

### Non-derivative financial liabilities - Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial liabilities other than loan commitments are classified and measured at amortised cost. Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value less directly attributable transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. These financial liabilities comprise deposits, reimbursable shares and other liabilities.

### Expected credit losses and impairment

The Credit Union utilises a forward-looking expected credit loss model to recognise loss allowances on its financial assets measured at amortised cost and loan commitments issued. At each reporting date, the Credit Union measures the loss allowance for the financial asset at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses, if the credit risk on the financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition (Stage 2) or if there is objective evidence of impairment (Stage 3). If at the reporting date, the credit risk on the financial asset has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Credit Union measures the loss allowance for the financial asset at an amount equal to twelve month expected credit losses (Stage 1). Stage 1 financial assets also include facilities where the credit risk has improved, and the financial asset has been reclassified from Stage 2.

12-month ECL are the portion of ECL that result from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date.

Lifetime ECL are the ECL that result from all possible default events over the expected life of the financial instrument.

No impairment loss is recognised on equity investments.

#### Significant increase in credit risk

When determining whether the risk of default on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Credit Union considers both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis based on the Credit Union's historical experience and credit risk assessment.

The determination of whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk is critical to the staging process. Factors to consider include:

- Changes in market or general economic conditions;
- Expectation of potential breaches;
- Expected delays in payment;
- Deterioration in credit ratings; or
- Significant changes in operating results or financial position of the borrower.

Notes to the Separate Financial Statements March 31, 2025

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

#### d) Financial instruments ... continued

### Expected credit losses and impairment ... continued

#### Significant increase in credit risk ... continued

The Credit Union uses three criteria for determining whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk:

- a quantitative test based on movement in PD;
- qualitative indicators; and
- a backstop of 30 days past due.

The Credit Union considers that significant increase in credit risk occurs for financial investments when investments with investment grade rating at acquisition moves to a non-investment grade but above a default grade. For debt investments with a non-investment grade at acquisition, a significant increase in credit risk occurs when there is an unfavorable movement in the ratings relative to the rating at initial recognition, including movement to a lower end of non-investment grade.

An exposure will migrate through the ECL stages as asset quality deteriorates. If, in a subsequent period, asset quality improves and also reverses any previously assessed significant increase in credit risk since origination, then the provision for doubtful debts reverts from lifetime ECL to 12-months.

#### Credit impaired financial assets

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 includes the following observable data:

- Significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer
- A breach of contract such as default or past due event
- The restructuring of a loan or advance by the Credit Union on terms that the Credit Union would not otherwise consider
- The disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties

A loan that has been renegotiated due to the deterioration in the borrower's condition is usually considered to be credit-impaired unless there is evidence that the risk of not receiving contractual cash flows has reduced significantly and there are no other indicators of impairment. In addition, a loan that is overdue for 90 days or more is considered credit-impaired.

Notes to the Separate Financial Statements March 31, 2025

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

d) Financial instruments ... continued

Expected credit losses and impairment ... continued

Credit impaired financial assets ... continued

The Credit Union considers the following when assessing whether sovereign debt is credit-impaired:

- The market's assessment of credit worthiness as reflected in the bond yields
- The rating agencies' assessment of creditworthiness
- The country's ability to access the capital markets for new debt issuance
- The probability of debt being restructured, resulting in holders suffering losses through voluntary or mandatory debt forgiveness.

#### **Measurement of ECL**

ECL are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. They are measured as follows:

- Financial assets that are not credit-impaired at the reporting date: as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Credit Union expects to receive);
- Financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date: as the difference between the gross carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows; and
- *Undrawn loan commitments:* as the present value of the difference between the contractual cash flows that are due to the Credit Union if the commitment is drawn down and the cash flows that the Credit Union expects to receive.

The inputs used to estimate the expected credit losses are as follows:

- PD The probability of default is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon. A default may only happen at a certain time over the remaining estimated life, if the facility has not been previously derecognised and is still in the portfolio.
- EAD The exposure at default is an estimate of the exposure at a future default date, taking into account expected changes in the exposure after the reporting date, including repayments of principal and interest, whether scheduled by contract or otherwise, expected drawdowns on committed facilities, and accrued interest from missed payments.
- LGD The loss given default is an estimate of the loss arising in the case where a default occurs at a given time. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the lender would expect to receive, including from the realization of any collateral. It is usually expressed as a percentage of the EAD.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

d) Financial instruments ... continued

Expected credit losses and impairment ... continued

Measurement of ECL ...continued

- Forward looking information The standard requires the incorporation of forward-looking
  information in the estimation of expected credit losses for each stage and the assessment of significant
  increases in credit risk consider information about past events and current conditions as well as
  reasonable and supportable forecasts of future events and economic conditions. The estimation and
  application of forward-looking information requires significant judgment.
- Discount rate The standard requires the ECL to be discounted using the effective interest rate (EIR).

The above parameters are modelled and estimated independently and combined to obtain the ECL.

#### **Presentation of ECL**

The ECL allowance associated with financial assets measured at amortised cost are presented in the statement of financial position as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

For loan commitments, generally a provision is recognised. In the event the financial instruments includes both a drawn and undrawn component, and the Credit Union cannot identify the ECL on the loan commitment separately from the drawn component, the Credit Union presents a combined loss allowance for both components. The combined amount is presented as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the drawn component. Any excess of the loss allowance over the gross amount of the drawn component is presented as a provision.

### Restructured financial assets

If the terms of a financial asset are renegotiated or modified or an existing financial asset is replaced with a new one due to financial difficulties of the borrower, then an assessment is made of whether the financial asset should be derecognised and ECL are measured as follows:

- If the expected restructuring will not result in derecognition of the existing asset, then the expected cash flows arising from the modified financial asset are included in calculating the cash shortfalls from the existing asset.
- If the expected restructuring will result in derecognition of the existing asset, then the expected fair value of the new asset is treated as the final cash flow from the existing financial asset at the time of its derecognition. This amount is included in calculating the cash shortfalls from the existing financial asset that are discounted from the expected date of derecognition to the reporting date using the original effective interest rate of the existing financial asset.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### d) Financial instruments ... continued

### Expected credit losses and impairment ... continued

#### Restructured financial assets ... continued

In assessing whether the modified terms are "substantially" different from the original terms, the following factors are considered:

- Introduction of significant new terms
- Significant change in loan's interest rate
- Significant extension in loan's term
- Significant change in credit risk from inclusion of collateral or other credit enhancements.

### **Expected life**

For instruments in Stage 2 or Stage 3, loss allowances reflect expected credit losses over the expected remaining lifetime of the instrument. For most instruments, the expected life is limited to the remaining contractual life. For certain revolving facilities such as lines of credit, the expected credit life is estimated based on the period over which the Credit Union's exposure to credit losses is not mitigated by normal credit risk management actions.

#### Write-off

Loans and debt securities are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering a financial asset in its entirety or a portion thereof. This is generally the case when the Credit Union determines that the borrower does not have the assets or source of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write off. This assessment is carried out at the individual asset level.

Recoveries of amounts previously written off are included in impairment losses on financial instruments in profit or loss. Financial assets that are written off are still subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Credit Union's procedures for recovery of amounts due.

#### Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Credit Union currently has a legally enforceable right to offset the amounts and it intends either to settle them on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

#### d) Financial instruments ... continued

Expected credit losses and impairment ... continued

### Modifications of financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets

If the terms of a financial asset are modified, then the Credit Union evaluates whether the cash flows of the modified asset are substantially different. If the cash flows are substantially different, then the contractual rights to cash flows from the original asset are deemed to have expired. In this case, the original financial asset is derecognised and a new financial asset is recognised at fair value plus any eligible transaction costs.

If cash flows are modified when the borrower is in financial difficulties, then the objective of the modification is usually to maximize recovery of the original contractual terms rather than to originate a new asset with substantially different terms. If the Credit Union plans to modify a financial asset in a way that would result in forgiveness of cash flows, then it first considers whether a portion of the asset should be written off before the modification takes place.

If the modification of a financial asset measured at amortised cost or FVOCI does not result in derecognition of the financial asset, then the Credit Union first recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial asset using the original effective interest rate of the asset and recognises the resulting adjustment as a modification gain or loss in profit or loss.

#### Financial liabilities

The Credit Union derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified, and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different. In this case, a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and consideration paid is recognised in profit or loss. Consideration paid includes non-financial assets transferred, if any, and the assumption of liabilities, including the new modified financial liability.

If the modification of a financial liability is not accounted for as derecognition, then the amortised cost of the liability is recalculated by discounting the modified cash flows at the original effective interest rate and the resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### e) Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual amounts may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

The estimates and judgments that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

#### Measurement of fair values

A number of the Credit Union's accounting policies and disclosures require the measurement of fair values, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities.

The Credit Union has an established control framework with respect to the measurement of fair values.

This includes the services of a professional valuation team that has overall responsibility for overseeing all significant fair value measurements, including investment fair values. This team reports directly to the Chief Financial Officer. They also review market estimates where assets and liabilities are traded in active markets.

Significant valuation issues are reported to the Finance, Investment and Asset Management Committee (FIAMC) which has oversight of the Credit Union's investment policy. This Committee meets monthly to review any challenges as it relates to the carrying value of the Credit Union's assets and liabilities.

When measuring the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Credit Union uses market observable data as far as possible. Fair values are categorised into different levels in a fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used in the valuation techniques as disclosed in Note 24.

If the inputs used to measure the fair value of an asset or a liability might be categorised in different levels of the fair value hierarchy, then the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety in the same level of the fair value hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

The Credit Union recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred.

The Credit Union recognises its sovereign debt securities issued by the Barbados Government as purchased or originated credit impaired (POCI) assets, and are valued as disclosed in Note 23.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### e) Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions ... continued

#### Measurement of fair values ... continued

The Credit Union regularly reviews the appropriateness of the inputs to its fair values of financial instruments. As a result, and as part of the process to determine fair values of financial instruments the Credit Union applies a level of judgment which is reflective of the current economic conditions and that estimated for the next twelve months with the objective of determining the fair value that is most applicable to those financial instruments.

### Impairment of non-derivative financial assets

The measurement of the expected credit loss allowance for financial assets measured at amortised cost is an area that requires the use of complex models and significant assumptions about future economic conditions and credit behaviour (e.g. the likelihood of members defaulting and the resulting losses). Explanation of the inputs, assumptions and estimation techniques used in measuring ECL is detailed in note 2(d).

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

- The Credit Union's criteria for determining if there has been a significant increase in credit risk and hence whether impairment allowances for financial assets should be measured on a lifetime expected credit loss (ECL) basis
- Choosing appropriate models and assumptions for the measurement of expected credit losses, including post model adjustments
- Determination of associations between macroeconomic scenarios and, economic inputs, such as unemployment rates, collateral values, inflation and GDP levels, and their effect on PDs, EADs and LGDs
- Establishing the number and relative weightings of forward-looking macroeconomic scenarios for each type of product or market and the associated ECL; and
- Establishing groups of similar financial assets for the purposes of measuring ECL

In determining ECL, management judgment is applied, using objective, reasonable and supportable information about current and forecast economic conditions.

When determining whether the risk of default has increased significantly since initial recognition, both quantitative and qualitative information is considered, including expert credit assessment, forward looking information and analysis based on the Credit Union's historical loss experience.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### e) Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions ... continued

### Impairment of non-derivative financial assets ... continued

Incorporation of forward-looking information

The Credit Union formulated three economic scenarios: a base case, which is the central scenario, developed internally based on consensus forecasts, and two less likely scenarios, one upside and one downside scenario. The central scenario is aligned with information used by the Credit Union for other purposes such as strategic planning and budgeting. External information considered includes economic data and forecasts published by governmental bodies and monetary authorities in the region where the Credit Union operates, international organisations such as the International Monetary Fund and selected private-sector forecasts.

The scenario probability weightings applied in measuring ECL are as follows:

#### 2025 March 31

March 31	Upside	Central	Downside
Scenario probability weighting	20%	55%	25%
<b>2024</b> March 31			ъ
	Upside	Central	Downside
Scenario probability weighting	20%	55%	25%

Macro-economic variables used in these scenarios include (but are not limited to), unemployment rates, GDP growth rates, inflation rates and price indices. Forward looking macro-economic information and assumptions have been considered in these scenarios, including potential impacts of anticipated government policies and regulatory actions.

Periodically, the Credit Union carries out stress testing of more extreme shocks to calibrate its determination of the upside and downside representative scenarios.

### Impairment of non-financial assets

Impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or cash generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The fair value less costs of disposal is based on available data from binding sales transactions, conducted at arm's length for similar assets or observable market prices less incremental costs of disposing of the asset. The value in use calculation is based on a DCF model. The recoverable amount is sensitive to the discount rate used for the DCF model as well as the future cash inflows.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### e) Significant accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions ... continued

### **Pension obligations**

The cost of the defined benefit pension plan is determined using an actuarial valuation. Accounting for employee pension obligations requires the use of actuarial techniques to make a reliable estimate of the amount of benefit that employees have earned in return for their services in the current and prior period.

The actuarial assumptions are based on management's best estimates of the variables that will determine the ultimate cost of providing post-employment benefits. Variations in these assumptions could cause material adjustments in future years, if it is determined that the actual experience differed from the estimate.

### f) Foreign currency

Functional and presentation currency

The separate financial statements are presented in Barbados dollars which is the functional currency of the Credit Union. All financial information has been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Foreign currency transactions and balances

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Barbados dollars at the rates of exchange ruling at the separate statement of financial position date. Transactions arising during the year denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Barbados dollars and recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing on the dates of the transactions. Differences arising from fluctuations in exchange rates are included in the separate statement of income.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates as at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined. Translation differences on non-monetary items, such as equities classified as FVOCI investments, are recognised in other comprehensive income.

#### g) Cash resources

- (i) Cash and cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to insignificant risks of change in value. These are shown at cost, which is equivalent to fair value. Cash and cash equivalents also comprise cash balances which are payable on demand and deposits with maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Bank overdrafts are disclosed as current liabilities.
- (ii) Term deposits are liquid investments which have original maturity dates in excess of 90 days, but which are available on demand with or without penalty.

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### **Accounting policies** ...continued

#### h) Investment in subsidiary companies

The investment in subsidiary companies is accounted for by the cost method whereby the investment is initially recorded at cost and income from the investment is recognised only to the extent that it represents distributions from accumulated profits arising after the date of acquisition. Distributions received in excess of such profits are regarded as a recovery of the investment and are recognised as a reduction of the cost of the investment. The investment in subsidiary companies is subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

#### i) **Property and equipment**

Property and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Credit Union and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are included in the separate statement of income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amounts and these are included in the separate statement of income. The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, at each reporting date.

Items of property and equipment are depreciated from the date they are available for use. Depreciation is recognised in the separate statement of income on the straight-line basis, at rates designed to write off the cost of the assets over the periods of their estimated useful lives. Land is not depreciated.

The following annual rates apply:

- 2.00% - 4.00% **Buildings** 

Motor vehicles - 20.00%

Furniture and equipment - 10.00% - 33.33% Leasehold improvements - 10.00% - 33.33%

#### i) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Credit Union assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract contains a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Credit Union uses the definition of a lease in IFRS 16.

This policy is applied to contracts entered into (or changed) on or after April 1, 2019.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

#### i) Leases ... continued

### Credit Union acting as a lessee

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Credit Union allocates consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative stand-alone price.

The Credit Union recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove any improvements made to branches or office premises.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Credit Union's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Credit Union uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The Credit Union determines its incremental borrowing rate by analysing its borrowings from various external sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of asset leased.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the Credit Union is reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Credit Union is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Credit Union is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Credit Union's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Credit Union changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

When the lease liability is re-measured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero. The Credit Union presents right-of-use assets in property and equipment and lease liabilities in other liabilities in the separate statement of financial position.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

#### i) Leases ... continued

### Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Credit Union has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets and short-term leases, including leases of IT equipment. The Credit Union recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

### k) Reimbursable shares

Reimbursable shares represent amounts due to the estates of deceased members.

#### 1) Deposits

Members' deposits are initially measured at fair value, net of any transaction costs directly attributable to the issuance of the instrument. Members' deposits are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

### m) Other liabilities

Liabilities for trade creditors and other payables are classified as other financial liabilities and initially measured at fair value net of any transaction costs directly attributable to the issuance of the instrument and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

### n) Share capital

Members' shares are classified as other financial liabilities under the IAS 32, *Financial Instruments: Disclosure and Presentation* and are measured at par value.

Dividends are paid on an annual basis at rates that are determined at the Annual General meeting of members. Dividends are calculated based on the monthly minimum share balance of each active member of the Credit Union and distributed via credits to members' deposits.

### o) Recognition of income and expenses

Revenue is recognised on an accrual basis to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Credit Union and the revenue can be reliably measured. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue and expense are recognised:

### Interest income and expense

*Effective interest rate* 

Interest income and expense are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest rate method. The 'effective interest rate' is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to:

- the gross carrying amount of the financial asset; or
- the amortised cost of the financial liability.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### o) Recognition of income and expenses ... continued

### Interest income and expense ... continued

#### Effective interest rate ...continued

When calculating the effective interest rate for financial instruments other than purchased or originated credit-impaired assets, the Credit Union estimates future cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument, but not ECL. For purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, a credit-adjusted effective interest rate is calculated using estimated future cash flows including ECL.

The calculation of the effective interest rate includes transaction costs and fees and points paid or received that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. Transaction costs include incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of a financial asset or financial liability.

### Amortised cost and gross carrying amount

The 'amortised cost' of a financial asset or financial liability is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets, adjusted for any expected credit loss allowance. The 'gross carrying amount of a financial asset' is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any expected credit loss allowance.

#### Calculation of interest income and expense

The effective interest rate of a financial asset or financial liability is calculated on initial recognition of a financial asset or a financial liability. In calculating interest income and expense, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired) or to the amortised cost of the liability. The effective interest rate is revised as a result of periodic re-estimation of cash flows of floating-rate instruments to reflect movements in market rates of interest.

However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired, then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis.

For financial assets that were credit-impaired on initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the credit-adjusted effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the asset. The calculation of interest income does not revert to a gross basis, even if the credit risk of the asset improves.

For information on when financial assets are credit-impaired, see Note 2(d).

#### Presentation

Interest income calculated using the effective interest method presented in the separate statement of income and separate statement of comprehensive income includes:

- interest on financial assets measured at amortised cost.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### o) Recognition of income and expenses ... continued

#### **Interest income and expense** ... continued

Presentation ...continued

Interest expense presented in the separate statement of income and separate statement of comprehensive income includes:

- financial liabilities measured at amortised cost; and
- interest expense on lease liabilities.

#### Fees and commission income

Fees and commission income are generally recognised on an accrual basis when the service has been provided.

The Credit Union offers to its membership certain value-added services for which a fee or commission is derived either directly from the member or by way of the specific nature of the transaction via a third-party provider. Those which are member specific are currently limited to legal fees, administrative charges for withdrawals relative to the management of their RRSP and recoveries relative to loans previously charged off.

The Credit Union provides an international MasterCard debit card to its membership from which income is earned on a transactional basis from the MasterCard proportionate to the spend on each transaction.

#### **Dividend income**

Dividend income relates to amounts earned on shares held within corporate entities. Dividends are recognised when the right to receive the dividend is established.

### p) Taxation

The Credit Union is exempt from corporation tax under Section 9(1)(g) of the Income Tax Act.

#### q) Loan commitments

'Loan commitments' are firm commitments to provide credit under pre-specified terms and conditions.

Loan commitments issued are measured at the sum of (i) the loss allowance determined in accordance with IFRS 9 and (ii) the amount of any fees received, less, if the commitment is unlikely to result in a specific lending arrangement, the cumulative amount of income recognised. Derecognition policies for financial assets [see Note 2(d)] are applied to loan commitments issued and held.

Liabilities arising from loan commitments are included within "other liabilities" on the separate statement of financial position.

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### 2 Accounting policies ... continued

### r) Provisions, contingent assets and contingent liabilities

Provisions for legal disputes or other claims are recognised when the Credit Union has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic resources will be required from the Credit Union and amounts can be estimated reliably. Timing or amount of the outflow may still be uncertain.

Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses. Provisions are measured at the estimated expenditure required to settle the present obligation, based on the most reliable evidence available at the reporting date, including the risks and uncertainties associated with the present obligation. 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. Provisions are discounted to their present values, where the time value of money is material.

Any reimbursement that the Credit Union is virtually certain to collect from a third party with respect to the obligation is recognised as a separate asset. However, this asset may not exceed the amount of the related provision. In those cases where the possible outflow of economic resources as a result of present obligations is considered improbable or remote, no liability is recognised. Such situations are disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the outflow of resource is remote.

### 3 Net interest income

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Interest income		
Loans and advances	81,422,992	82,251,992
Financial investments	3,407,078	3,122,322
Cash resources	1,742,805	1,724,687
	86,572,875	87,099,001
Interest expense		
Deposits	17,844,892	19,552,225
Lease liability	53,104	91,885
	17,897,996	19,644,110
Net interest income	68,674,879	67,454,891

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4 Other income			
		2025	2024
		\$	\$
		•	•
Fee income		2,524,680	3,335,687
Legal income		1,283,674	846,474
Rental income		111,513	166,508
Bad debt recoveries		1,762,789	1,178,472
Dividend income		49,090	149,685
Gain/(loss) on disposal of property and equipment		85,534	(13,498)
		5,817,280	5,663,328
5 Expected credit losses			
		2025	2024
	Notes	\$	\$
Loans and advances	11	1,093,872	2,587,768
Undrawn loan commitments	22	5,958	(49,504)
Accounts Receivable	15	485,761	_
Financial investments	10	41,913	129,056
Term deposits	9	8,312	8,409
		1,635,816	2,675,729
6 Staff costs			
		2025	2024
	Note	\$	\$
Salaries		23,362,367	19,629,792
National Insurance Scheme contributions		1,955,882	1,801,029
Pension plan - defined benefit plan	13	483,073	395,770
Other costs		1,458,652	2,023,165
		27,259,974	23,849,756

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### 7 Operating expenses

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Anniversary expenses	261,242	166,747
Advertising	654,176	468,353
Affiliation	100,000	100,000
Amortisation of deferred expenses	806	273
Audit fees	625,002	894,337
Bank charges	317,023	729,450
Committee travelling allowances	183,327	186,497
Development expenses	85,000	157,333
Direct cost of services	5,683,329	3,924,583
Education grant and scholarship expenses	265,425	213,750
Elected Officials and Committee Training	294,932	342,040
Entertaining	9,618	6,039
Insurance	703,395	549,254
Janitorial services	951,601	935,424
Legacy Foundation - Donations	300,000	500,000
Legal and professional fees	1,878,476	2,383,304
Meetings and conferences	1,111,497	900,813
Membership security	5,586,082	5,818,959
Sundry expenses	36,766	4,898
National development expenses	60,000	60,000
Office stationery and supplies	1,014,722	768,867
Postage	68,440	153,481
Property taxes	433,941	342,003
Publicity and promotion	4,143,830	2,716,040
Regulatory fees	500,000	500,001
Rent	662,975	453,011
Repairs and maintenance	6,829,340	6,409,965
Security services	1,867,474	2,179,546
Social outreach expenses	113,950	226,609
Staff and members' training	410,397	395,382
Utilities	1,546,325	1,587,107
	36,699,091	34,074,066

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### 8 Distributions to members

Distributions to members include a dividend of \$0.242 (2024: \$0.247) per share amounting to \$669,920 (2024: \$648,454) and interest rebate amounting to \$2,026,270 (2024: \$2,134,271).

### 9 Cash resources

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Cash on hand Cash and cash equivalents	12,390,561 376,238,243	12,782,139 352,350,855
Total cash and cash equivalents Term deposits	388,628,804 88,495,538	365,132,994 83,448,689
Total gross cash resources Less: expected credit loss allowance	477,124,342 (85,307)	448,581,683 (76,995)
	477,039,035	448,504,688

The average effective yield on cash resources during the year was 0.46% (2024 - 0.48%).

The movement in expected credit loss allowance on term deposits is as follows:

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
Balance at beginning of year Expected credit loss on term deposits	5	76,995 8,312	68,586 8,409
Balance at end of year		85,307	76,995

At March 31, 2025, \$85,307 (2024: \$76,995) of the expected credit loss allowance relate to term deposits classified as stage 1.

At March 31, 2025, cash resources carry interest rates varying from 0.0 % to 3.5 % per annum (2024 - 0.0% to 3.5%).

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### 10 Financial investments

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Debt securities		
Amortised cost		
Sovereign bonds	37,747,126	32,496,763
Securitized deposits (note 21)	27,649,919	29,400,141
Interest receivable	295,072	138,264
	65,692,117	62,035,168
Less: expected credit loss allowance	(174,116)	(132,203)
	65,518,001	61,902,965
Equities securities		
FVOCI	000 000	040.000
Corporate equity - quoted (i)	980,000	940,000
Corporate equity – unquoted	1,958,342	2,105,116
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Debt securities FVTPL		
Preferred shares (ii)	10,000,000	10,000,000
Interest receivable	59,452	59,452
	10,059,452	10,059,452
Balance at end of year	78,515,795	75,007,533

The average effective yield during the year on amortised cost investments was 3.43% (2024: 3.11).

- (i) Quoted equities represent the Credit Union's investment in ICBL of 500,000 (2024: 500,000) common shares. As at March 31, 2025, the quoted bid price of these common shares was \$1.96 (2024: \$1.88) per share.
- (ii) Preferred shares represent the Credit Union's investment in 10,000,000 (2024: 10,000,000) cumulative preferred shares. On March 31, 2023 the Credit Union purchased 10,000,000 cumulative redeemable preferred shares with a par value of a \$1.00 (2024: 1.00) each. The shares carry a sixty-four (64) months tenure and pays a 7.00% dividend.

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### 10 Financial investments ... continued

The movement in expected credit loss allowance on debt investments at amortised cost as follows:

	Note	2025 \$	<b>2024</b> \$
Balance at beginning of year Expected credit loss on investments	5	132,203 41,913	3,147 129,056
Balance at end of year		174,116	132,203

There was \$71,685 (2024: \$69,889) expected credit loss allowance at March 31, 2025 related to debt securities classified as stage 3 and \$40,549 (2024: \$39,614) related to debt securities classified as stage 1.

### 11 Loans and advances

(i) Loans and advances are comprised of the following:

	2025			
	Consumer \$	Business \$	Mortgages \$	Total \$
Gross loans Less: ECL allowance	612,799,329 (29,494,390)	3,028,441 (430,283)	537,537,574 (5,980,539)	1,153,365,344 (35,905,212)
	583,304,937	2,598,159	531,557,036	1,117,460,132
Add: Interest receivable				10,503,415
				1,127,963,547
	2024			
	Consumer \$	Business \$	Mortgages \$	Total \$
Gross loans Less: ECL allowance	641,370,224 (32,679,892)	3,664,576 (485,507)	517,165,132 (6,432,900)	1,162,199,932 (39,598,299)
	608,690,332	3,179,069	510,732,232	1,122,601,633
Add: Interest receivable				9,131,489
				1,131,733,122

The average yield on loans for the year was 7.21% (2024: 7.22%).

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### 11 Loans and advances ... continued

(ii) The Credit Union's loans and advances portfolio as at March 31, are in the following staging categories.

	2025			
	Stage 1	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3	Total \$
Consumer	505,796,080	15,777,707	91,225,542	612,799,329
Business	610,569	320,877	2,096,995	3,028,441
Mortgages	464,674,180	12,950,237	59,913,157	537,537,574
Gross loans	971,080,829	29,048,821	153,235,694	1,153,365,344
Less: ECL allowance	(1,368,090)	(744,045)	(33,793,077)	(35,905,212)
	969,712,739	28,304,776	119,442,617	1,117,460,132
Add: Interest receivable				10,503,415
				1,127,963,547
	2024			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total \$
Consumer	524,723,334	12,228,141	104,418,749	641,370,224
Business	1,178,629	311,469	2,174,478	3,664,576
Mortgages	436,689,080	14,487,577	65,988,475	517,165,132
Gross loans	962,591,043	27,027,187	172,581,702	1,162,199,932
Less: ECL allowance	(1,395,730)	(376,408)	(37,826,161)	(39,598,299)
	961,195,313	26,650,779	134,755,541	1,122,601,633
Add: Interest receivable				9,131,489
				1,131,733,122

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## 11 Loans and advances ... continued

(iii) The movement in the expected credit loss allowance is as follows:

		202	5	
	Consumer	Business	Mortgages	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, beginning of year	32,679,892	485,507	6,432,900	39,598,299
Amounts charged off/write off	(4,668,184)	(118,775)	-	(4,786,959)
Expected credit loss	1,482,682	63,551	(452,361)	1,093,872
Balance, end of year	29,494,390	430,283	5,980,539	35,905,212
		202	4	
	Consumer	Business	Mortgages	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, beginning of year	32,718,637	540,547	7,451,060	40,710,244
Amounts charged off/write off	(3,604,763)	(94,950)	-	(3,699,713)
Expected credit loss	3,566,018	39,910	(1,018,160)	2,587,768
Balance, end of year	32,679,892	485,507	6,432,900	39,598,299

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## 12 Property and equipment

Property and equipment is comprised of the following:

	2025					
	Land and buildings	Motor vehicles \$	Furniture and equipment \$	Leasehold improvements	Assets being acquired \$	Total \$
Cost						
Balance, beginning of year Additions/transfer Disposal	46,595,435 	3,229,310 459,435 (577,980)	37,851,701 1,809,446	5,575,146 - -	14,709,023 2,507,125 —	107,960,615 4,776,006 (577,980)
Balance, end of year	46,595,435	3,110,765	39,661,147	5,575,146	17,216,148	112,158,641
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance, beginning of year Depreciation Disposal	18,737,238 1,592,482	2,268,647 305,451 (577,980)	34,599,440 1,821,789 -	5,575,146 - -	- - -	61,180,471 3,719,722 (577,980)
Balance, end of year	20,329,720	1,996,118	36,421,229	5,575,146		64,322,213
Net book value, end of year	26,265,715	1,114,647	3,239,918	_	17,216,148	47,836,428

Assets being acquired represent purchases of property and equipment which were not yet in operation and on which no depreciation has been charged.

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## 12 Property and equipment ... continued

	2024					
	Land and buildings \$	Motor vehicles \$	Furniture and equipment \$	Leasehold improvements	Assets being acquired \$	Total \$
Cost						
Balance, beginning of year Additions/transfer Disposal	46,595,435	3,130,203 207,207 (108,100)	37,076,495 780,041 (4,835)	5,575,146 - -	13,773,886 1,323,700 (388,563)	106,151,165 2,310,948 (501,498)
Balance, end of year	46,595,435	3,229,310	37,851,701	5,575,146	14,709,023	107,960,615
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance, beginning of year Depreciation Disposal	16,971,455 1,765,783	1,968,108 307,746 (7,207)	32,978,961 1,624,681 (4,202)	5,575,146 - -	- - -	57,493,670 3,698,210 (11,409)
Balance, end of year	18,737,238	2,268,647	34,599,440	5,575,146	-	61,180,471
Net book value, end of year	27,858,197	960,663	3,252,261	_	14,709,023	46,780,144

Assets being acquired represent purchases of property and equipment which were not yet in operation and on which no depreciation has been charged.

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## 12 Property and equipment ... continued

As at March 31, 2025, land and buildings includes right-of-use assets of \$593,028 (2024: \$1,270,972) related to the Credit Union's leased branches and office premises.

Set out below, are the carrying amounts of the Credit Union's right-of-use assets and lease liabilities and the movements during the year:

	2025		
	Right of use property \$	Lease liability \$	
Balance at April 1, 2024 Depreciation expense Interest expense Lease payments (principal and interest)	1,270,972 (677,944) —	1,349,159 53,104 (815,708)	
As at March 31, 2025	593,028	586,555	
	2024		
	Right of use property \$	Lease liability \$	
Balance at April 1, 2023 Depreciation expense Interest expense Additions	2,122,217 (851,245) —	2,280,339 - 91,885 (1,023,065)	
As at March 31, 2024	1,270,972	1,349,159	

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### 12 Property and equipment ... continued

#### Maturities of Leases

Maturities of the Credit Union's lease liabilities on an undiscounted basis as of March 31, 2025 are presented below along with the current and non-current lease liabilities on a discounted basis.

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Up to 3 months Within 3-12 months Within 1-5 years	144,774 347,825 116,236	246,312 538,936 634,840
Total future payments on an undiscounted basis Less: Present value discount	608,835 (22,280)	1,420,088 (70,929)
Present value of lease liabilities	586,555	1,349,159
Current portion Non-current portion	472,592 113,963	728,575 620,584
Weighted-average remaining lease term (in years) Weighted-average discount rate	1 year 4.95%	2 years 4.95%

Lease liability is presented as part of 'Other Liabilities' in Note 17.

#### 13 Pension plan asset

The Credit Union participates in a defined benefit pension plan operated by a reputable insurance provider. The pension plan is jointly funded by payments from the Credit Union and certain employees, considering the recommendations of independent qualified actuaries.

The actuary periodically (at least every three years) evaluates the financial position of the plan and recommends the future contribution rate for the Credit Union.

The last full actuarial valuation of the pension plan for eligible employees was carried out as at April 1, 2024. The next full review will be performed as at April 1, 2027.

In a defined benefit pension plan, the employees' entitlement is determined by a formula based on their years of pensionable service and pensionable salary. It is typical for the employees' benefit to be integrated with the retirement benefits provided by the National Insurance.

The contribution rate paid by the employee is fixed and the Credit Union pays the balance of the ultimate cost of the benefits. The Credit Union is expected to pay \$964,138 in contributions to its defined benefit plan in 2026 (2025: \$904,573).

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## 13 Pension plan asset ... continued

Currently at retirement, employees with service to April 1, 2015 are entitled to receive a pension benefit equal to:

1. 1.75% of their pensionable salary as at April 1, 2015 reduced by 1.32% of the National Insurable Earnings as at April 1, 2015.

#### Plus

2. 1.75% of annual pensionable salary earned while a member of the plan after April 1, 2015 reduced by 1.32% of the annual national insurance salary while a member of the plan after April 1, 2015.

Employees' pension benefits are further increased by the amount of pension that can be purchased with any voluntary contributions accumulated with credited interest to their retirement date.

There are three trustees of the plan, one is an employee representative while the other two are external to the Credit Union. The trustees are required to understand the risks taken, make reasonable investment decisions, and provide members with information and act in the best interests of the plan participants.

The Plan is invested in a segregated pensions fund consisting of two Funds which cover a broad spectrum of available assets. The strategic investment policy of the Funds can be summarised as follows:

#### **Bonds Fund:**

A unit trust with a strategy of acquiring regional and non-regional long-dated securities, where possible, but the majority of its financial investments are still predominantly in Barbados currency. The Fund's objective is to generate income and preserve capital through investment in competitive yielding fixed income securities including mortgages, bonds and other debt instruments.

### **Equity Fund:**

This is a unit trust that invests mainly in Barbadian equities, Barbadian real estate, commercial mortgages, foreign equities and bonds. This Fund's objective is to provide long-term capital growth through investment in a diversified portfolio of equity securities and real estate.

The current instruction is to invest all new cash flows 50% in the Bonds Fund and 50% in the Equity Fund. At present, approximately 50% of the Plan's assets are invested in the Equity Fund and 50% are invested in the Bonds Fund.

a) The amounts recognised in the statement of financial position are determined as follows:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Present value of obligation to plan members Pension plan assets at fair value	(16,264,240) 19,454,697	(15,008,780) 18,258,882
Asset recognised in the statement of financial position	3,190,457	3,250,102

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## 13 Pension plan asset ... continued

b) Movement in the amounts recognised in the statement of financial position is as follows:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Asset, beginning of year	3,250,102	3,115,674
Contributions paid	910,296	852,613
Pension expense recognised in statement of income	(483,073)	(395,770)
Re-measurement recognised in other comprehensive income	(486,868)	(322,415)
Asset, end of year	3,190,457	3,250,102

c) Changes in the present value of the obligation for defined benefit pension plans were as follows:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Obligation, beginning of the year	15,008,780	13,958,780
Interest cost	1,294,215	1,175,680
Current service cost	699,239	606,362
Employees' contributions	215,652	194,783
Past service cost	_	_
Benefits paid	(406,171)	(964,523)
Actuarial (gains)/losses arising from experience adjustments	(547,475)	37,698
Obligation, end of year	16,264,240	15,008,780

d) (i) Changes in the fair value of the defined benefit pension plan assets were as follows:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Opening fair value of plan assets	18,258,882	17,074,454
Actual return	500,689	1,126,322
Employer's contributions	910,296	852,613
Employees' contributions	215,652	194,783
Benefits paid	(406,171)	(964,523)
Administrative expenses	(24,651)	(24,767)
Closing fair value of plan assets	19,454,697	18,258,882

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## 13 Pension plan asset ... continued

d) (ii) Plan assets consist of the follow:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Equities	9,559,592	8,813,154
Bonds	9,896,470	9,428,673
Other	(1,365)	17,055
	19,454,697	18,258,882

The assets of the plan are invested in segregated funds. The major asset categories underlying the plan assets are as follows:

	2025	2024
Mortgages	16.79%	16.35%
Bonds	32.94%	33.58%
Equities	43.17%	43.85%
Property	4.07%	4.13%
Other	3.03%	2.08%
1 2		

e) The amounts recognised in the statement of income are as follows:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Current service cost	699,239	606,362
Past service cost	_	_
Interest cost on obligation	1,294,215	1,175,680
Expected return on plan assets	(1,535,032)	(1,411,039)
Administrative expenses	24,651	24,767
Net pension expense included in staff costs (Note 6)	483,073	395,770

f) The amounts recognised in other comprehensive income are as follows:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Remeasurement (gain)/loss on obligation Remeasurement loss on plan assets	(547,475) 1,034,343	37,698 284,717
	486,868	322,415

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## 13 Pension plan asset ... continued

g) Principal actuarial assumptions at the reporting date (expressed as weighted averages):

	2025	2024
<b>D</b>	0.250/	0.250/
Discount rate at end of year	8.25%	8.25%
Expected return on plan assets at end of year	8.25%	8.25%
Future salary increases	6.75%	6.75%
Future pension increases	1.75%	1.75%
Future changes in NIS ceiling	4.25%	4.25%
Termination of active members	0.00% - 11.25%	0.00% - 11.25%
Future expenses	0.00%	0.00%

At March 31, 2025, the weighted-average duration of the defined benefit obligation was 18.59 (2024: 18.29) years.

## h) Sensitivity analysis on projected benefit obligation:

Reasonably possible changes at the reporting date to one of the relevant actuarial assumptions, holding other assumptions constant, would have affected the defined benefit obligation by the amounts shown below:

	Increase	Decrease
Discount rate (1% movement) Future salary growth (0.5% movement)	(2,545,171) 1,180,448	3,306,545 (1,080,330)

As mortality continues to improve, estimates of life expectancy are expected to increase. The effect on the projected benefit obligation of an increase of one year in the life expectancy is approximately \$378,703 (2024: \$357,762).

### 14 Investment in subsidiary companies

	<b>2025</b> \$	2024 \$
BPW Financial Holdings Inc 100%	11,500,000	11,500,000
	11,500,000	11,500,000
Allied Co-operators Inc 100%	1,000,000	1,000,000
	12,500,000	12,500,000

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#### 15 Other assets

Other assets are comprised of the following:

	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Accounts receivable (i)		21,060,742	14,323,478
Prepaid investment (ii)		15,000,000	_
Prepaid employee benefit	17	1,770,586	2,337,665
Prepaid expenses		4,363,066	3,804,837
Other assets re Goodwill Credit Union		39,786	39,786
		42,234,180	20,505,766

<sup>(</sup>i) Accounts receivable are recorded at their invoiced amounts and are non-interest bearing. Expected credit loss allowance totalling \$485,561 (2024 – \$ Nil) is included within accounts receivable.

### 16 Deposits

This amount comprises:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Saving deposits	684,555,378	682,445,030
Deposits payable on fixed date	828,620,808	789,327,980
Registered retirement savings plan deposits (i)	50,810,622	51,082,085
	1,563,986,808	1,522,855,095
Interest payable	1,381,931	1,941,970
	1,565,368,739	1,524,797,065

(i) The Credit Union operates two registered retirement savings plans for the benefit of its members. The legacy plan guarantees a minimum return on plan deposits of 5.0% while the new plan guarantees 1.0% above the minimum deposit rate. At March 31, 2025, the minimum deposit rate was 0.5 % (2024: 0.5%).

<sup>(</sup>ii) Prepaid investment relates to amounts paid on March 31, 2025 which has an effective date of April 1, 2025.

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### 16 Deposits...continued

#### **Concentration of deposits**

Deposits (excluding interest payable) comprised the following:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Personal Commercial	1,560,082,974 3,903,834	1,516,732,682 6,122,413
	1,563,986,808	1,522,855,095

At March 31, 2025, deposits pledged as security for loans to members and not available for withdrawal totalled \$300,370,030 (2024: \$313,416,122). The average cost of funds associated with deposits held during the year was 1.15% (2024: 1.29%).

#### 17 Other liabilities

	Notes	2025 \$	2024 \$
Accounts payable and accrued expenses (i) Amounts payable re Goodwill Credit Union Fair value adjustment - staff loans (ii) Interest rebate payable Lease liability Unallocated receipts to members	12	10,370,525 89,286 2,142,227 203,026 586,555 3,073,643	6,095,708 89,286 2,683,766 203,026 1,349,159 3,926,295
		16,465,262	14,347,240

- (i) Included in accounts payable and accrued expenses at March 31, 2025, is expected credit losses on undrawn loan commitments of \$232,560 (2024: \$266,602) and legal litigations of \$250,000 (2024: \$250,000).
- (ii) Fair value adjustment staff loans

The fair value adjustment - staff loans represents the deferred interest income on staff loans associated with the difference between the market value and the carrying value of the loans as a result of the interest rates on the staff loans being lower than the market interest rate. This balance is related to the prepaid employee benefit recorded and included in other assets (Note 15). The deferred interest income will be recognised over the term of the staff loans.

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### 18 Share capital

Section 10 of the Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2007-39, requires that each member hold a minimum value of membership qualifying shares as determined by the Credit Union.

The qualifying amount for membership amounts to \$120 which comprises twenty-four (24) shares at a nominal value of \$5 per share for members who have attained the age of sixteen (16) years. The qualifying amount for a member who has not yet attained the age of 16 years amounts to \$50 which comprises ten (10) qualifying shares at a nominal value of \$5. All shares are non-withdrawable except on the termination of membership. There is no limit to the number of shares the Credit Union is authorised to issue.

During the year, the Credit Union issued 93,504 (2024: 86,316) shares at \$5.00 each to its members for cash consideration of \$467,520 (2024: \$431,580). The Credit Union redeemed 26,544 (2024: 22,992) shares and subsequently repaid \$132,720 (2024: \$114,960) to previous members.

At March 31, 2025, the total number of membership qualifying shares was 2,797,116 (2024: 2,730,156).

The following table shows a reconciliation of all movements in the membership qualifying shares between the beginning and end of the reporting period.

	2025		2024	
	Carrying amount \$	No. of shares	Carrying amount \$	No. of shares
Balance, beginning of year	13,650,780	2,730,156	13,334,160	2,666,832
Shares issued	467,520	93,504	431,580	86,316
Shares redeemed	(132,720)	(26,544)	(114,960)	(22,992)
Balance, end of year	13,985,580	2,797,116	13,650,780	2,730,156

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### 19 Statutory reserves

Section 197(2) of the Co-operative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2007-39 requires for the Credit Union that an appropriation equivalent to the greater of one half of one per cent (0.5%) of total assets or twenty-five per cent (25%) of net surplus shall be credited to the reserve fund annually until capital equals ten per cent (10%) of total assets. The Registrar of Co-operatives may increase the appropriation amount to forty per cent (40%) of net surplus or one per cent (1%) of total assets in certain circumstances.

The movement in these reserves during the year is as follows:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Balance, beginning of year	166,925,879	162,810,107
Transfers to reserve - voluntary	34,364	4,097,877
	166,960,243	166,907,984
Entrance fees	17,030	17,895
Balance, end of year	166,977,273	166,925,879

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#### 20 Other reserves

Other reserves are comprised of the following:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Fair value reserve (i)	1,003,087	1,109,861
Special funds (ii)	1,517,305	1,319,423
Donated equity (iii)	26,909	26,909
Defined benefit plan (iv)	(960,923)	(474,054)
Reserve for interest on non-performing loans (v)	7,736,413	6,290,702
	9,322,791	8,272,841

#### (i) Fair value reserve

The fair value reserve represents the net effect of fair value gains or losses on FVOCI investment securities held. The movement on the fair value reserve for the year is as follows:

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Balance, beginning of year Unrealized fair value (loss)/gain	1,109,861 (106,774)	995,081 114,780
Balance, end of year	1,003,087	1,109,861

#### (ii) Special funds

The special reserve funds comprise the following:

#### a) Social Outreach Fund

The Social Outreach Fund was created to provide charitable donations to members in need of financial assistance.

### b) Education Fund

The Education Fund was established to provide grants and scholarships to members pursuing educational programmes.

#### c) Development Fund

In June 2004, the general membership approved the establishment of the Development Fund to assist with the exploratory cost relating to projects of a developmental nature.

#### d) Health and Disaster Relief Fund

This Fund was established in September 2021 to provide a resource for credit unions members and staff who need financial assistance because of medically introduced hardships or a climate related disastrous event.

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#### 20 Other reserves ... continued

### (ii) Special funds ... continued

#### e) BCCUL Training/Education Fund

The BCCUL Training/Education Fund was instituted in June 2002 to finance the education of credit union members and the general public in credit union philosophy and operations.

#### f) BPWCCUL Foundation

This Fund was established in June 2009 to fund major philanthropic initiatives undertaken by the Credit Union.

#### g) Small and Micro Business Fund

This Fund was established in September 2021 to provide assistance for credit unions members who wish to become entrepreneurs.

#### h) National Development Fund

This Fund was established in June 2009 to assist the Barbados Co-operative Credit Union League Limited in funding developmental initiatives for the credit union movement in Barbados.

#### i) Credit Union Liability Insurance Fund

This Fund was established in June 2010 to facilitate the establishment of deposit liability insurance for credit unions.

The movement in special funds during the year is as follows:

	2025			
	Balance at beginning \$	Amounts appropriated \$	Amounts utilised \$	Balance at end \$
Social Outreach Fund	201,236	290,012	113,950	377,298
Education Fund	165,520	214,913	265,425	115,008
Development Fund	242,667	107,332	85,000	264,999
Health and Disaster Relief	•	,	,	ŕ
Fund	250,000	_	_	250,000
BCCUL Training/Education				
Fund	50,000	50,000	_	100,000
BPWCCUL Foundation	_	300,000	300,000	_
Small and Micro Business				
Fund	150,000	_	_	150,000
National Development Fund	_	60,000	60,000	_
Credit Union Liability				
Insurance Fund	260,000			260,000
	1,319,423	1,022,257	824,375	1,517,305

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#### 20 Other reserves ... continued

### (ii) Special funds ... continued

	2024			
	Balance at beginning \$	Amounts appropriated \$	Amounts utilised \$	Balance at end \$
Social Outreach Fund	233,388	194,457	226,609	201,236
Education Fund	165,253	214,017	213,750	165,520
Development Fund	328,334	21,666	107,333	242,667
Health and Disaster Relief	ŕ	ŕ	ŕ	ŕ
Fund	250,000	_	_	250,000
BCCUL Training/Education				
Fund	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
BPWCCUL Foundation	,	500,000	500,000	_
Small and Micro Business				
Fund	150,000	_	_	150,000
National Development Fund	,	60,000	60,000	_
Credit Union Liability				
Insurance Fund	260,000	_	_	260,000
	1,436,975	1,040,140	1,157,692	1,319,423

### (iii) Donated equity

This amount totalling \$26,909 (2024: \$26,909) represents the value of donations bestowed upon the Credit Union on incorporation.

#### (iv) Defined benefit plan

This amount totalling (\$960,923), (2024: (\$474,054)) represents the net amount of actuarial losses and other items recognised directly in other comprehensive income on the Credit Union's defined benefit plan (Note 13).

### (v) Reserve for interest on non-performing loans

This amount totalling \$7,736,413.42 (2024: \$6,290,702) is created to set aside interest accrued on non-performing loans where certain conditions are met in accordance with IFRS 9. The guidelines of Section 202 (2) of the Co-operative Societies Act Cap. 378A, however do not allow for the accrual of such interest. The interest is therefore set aside in a reserve and is not available for distribution to members.

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## 21 Related party disclosures

Related parties include those entities and individuals that have the ability to control or exercise significant influence over the Credit Union in making financial or operating decisions, and entities that are controlled, jointly controlled or significantly influenced by them.

Terms and conditions of transactions with related parties

Certain transactions with related parties are made at terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions. Specifically, transactions with key management personnel are at arm's length.

For the years ended March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, the Credit Union has not recorded any impairment of receivables relating to amounts owed by related parties.

#### Compensation of key management personnel

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Short term employee benefits Post-employment benefits	1,968,515 189,935	2,089,780 174,535
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	2,158,450	2,264,315

#### Transactions with key management personnel

The Credit Union enters into transactions, arrangements and agreements involving directors, senior management and their related concerns in the ordinary course of business at commercial interest and commission rates.

The following table provides the total amount of balances held with related parties for the relevant financial year.

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Key management personnel:		
Loans and advances	1,496,760	1,698,947
Deposits	1,536,560	955,117

The secured loans and advances are secured over property of the respective borrowers. Other balances are not secured and no guarantees have been obtained.

Expected credit loss allowance totalling \$494(2024: \$156) has been recorded against balances outstanding during the year with key management personnel and their related concerns.

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### 21 Related party disclosures ... continued

#### **Due from related companies**

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Due from Allied Co-operators Inc. (i)	704,920	577,203
Due from BPW Financial Holdings Inc. (i)	17,739,453	17,687,072
Due (to)/ from Capita Insurance Brokers Inc. (i)	(20,188)	193,295
Due from Capita Financial Services Inc. (ii)	5,238,398	6,503,579
Due to Capita Financial Services Inc. (i)	(1,453,736)	(1,812,391)
Due from/(to) Legacy Foundation (i)	58,121	(70,496)
	22,266,968	23,078,262

- (i) Amounts due from related companies are unsecured, non-interest bearing and have no fixed terms of repayment.
- (ii) On July 30, 2021, the Credit Union entered into a loan agreement with Capita Financial Services Inc. The Credit Union advanced \$11,674,344 with a term of 10 years and an interest rate of 1.25% per annum. Fixed annual repayments are \$1,242,528 over the life of the loan. The outstanding balance as at March 31, 2025 is \$5,238,398 (2024: \$6,503,579).

#### Other transactions

Cash resources include term deposits held with Capita Financial Services Inc. amounting to \$66,220,679 (2024: \$66,220,679) which resulted in interest income of \$1,652,724 (2024: \$1,642,343). At March 31, 2025 accrued interest receivable was \$4,244,584 (2024: \$2,992,884). The Credit Union receives a management fee for the provision of support services to Capita Financial Services Inc. on an annual basis which is reported within fee income (Note 4). During the fiscal ending March 31, 2025, the Credit Union recorded management fees of \$144,000 (2024: \$144,000).

### Securitized deposit

On July 28, 2023, the Credit Union negotiated and agreed the placement of a deposit of Thirty Million Barbados dollars (\$30,000,000) with its subsidiary Capita Financial Services Inc. This deposit is secured by a block of mortgage loans held and maintained by Capita with an average life span of 22 years and a total collateralized market value in the amount of \$30,000,000. An interest charge of 2% of the outstanding principal balance shall be paid to the Credit Union from the aggregate interest collected by Capita Financial Services Inc. on a monthly basis until such time as the deposit is fully amortized. As at March 31, 2025 the deposit held a balance of \$27,649,919 (2024: \$29,400,141). Total interest income for the year ended March 31, 2025 totalled \$569,408 (2024: \$299,886).

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## 21 Related party disclosures ... continued

#### Other transactions ... continued

Allied Co-operators Inc. (ACI) was established to offer co-operative shared services to credit unions and their members. Phase 1 of its development will provide assurance services to affiliated credit unions of the Barbados Co-operative Credit Union League Ltd. These services will include corporate governance, operational risk management, compliance and internal audit.

In subsequent phases of its expansion ACI will provide similar services to micro, small and medium sized enterprises (MSMEs) and not for profit organizations locally. Additionally, it will leverage the brand of Capita Financial Services Inc. to further expand into the OECS and other Caribbean regions.

Finally, ACI's suite of services will be broadened to include finance and financial planning, information technology, strategic planning, marketing, customer experience and research.

The capitalisation of ACI as a wholly owned subsidiary of the Credit Union invoked section 34(A) of the Cooperative Societies Act, CAP. 378A, which states that any such investments shall be limited to ten percent of the Credit Union's statutory reserves.

In accordance with the Co-operative Societies Act, CAP. 378A, on May 19, 2020 the Credit Union sought approval from the Financial Services Commission to capitalize its fully owned subsidiary Allied Co-operators Inc. in the amount of \$1,000,000. The Credit Union completed the investment of \$1,000,000 for 10,000 shares in ACI on July 5, 2021 for sole ownership in the subsidiary.

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## 22 Commitments and contingencies

### (i) Loan commitments

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Consumer loans approved and pending disbursement Mortgage loans approved and pending disbursement Available balances on line of credit accounts	10,927,808 33,980,498 17,869,650	10,045,677 31,973,986 17,709,346
Gross commitments	62,777,956	59,729,009

The total expected credit loss (ECL) allowance on undrawn loan commitments at March 31, is as follows:

	2025		2024	
	Gross carrying amount \$	ECL \$	Gross carrying amount \$	ECL \$
Consumer Mortgages	10,927,808 33,980,498 44,908,306	56,680 56,760 113,440	10,045,677 31,973,986 42,019,663	56,307 47,765 104,072
Line of credits available	17,869,650	119,120	17,709,346	122,530
	62,777,956	232,560	59,729,009	226,602
The movement in the expected	credit loss allowance:			

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Balance at beginning of year Expected credit loss	226,602 5,958	276,106 (49,504)
Balance at end of year	232,560	226,602

The expected credit allowance for the undrawn loan commitments is included in other liabilities in Note 17.

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### 22 Commitments and contingencies ... continued

#### (ii) Loan facilities

Loan facilities committed but not recognised in the financial statements as at March 31, 2025 are as follows:

- (a) an approved line of credit facility of \$7,800,000 (2024: \$7,800,000) with a bank. This facility is secured by a first legal mortgage over the property at Belmont Road. At March 31, 2025 and 2024 this facility was undisbursed.
- (b) an approved line of credit facility of \$200,000 (2024: \$200,000) with a bank for the purpose of enabling corporate development meetings by Credit Union representatives. This facility is unsecured. The commitment due on this facility at year end was \$16,656 (2024: \$37,418).

#### (iii) Legal proceedings

At March 31, 2025, there were certain legal proceedings against the Credit Union. In view of the inherent difficulty of predicting the outcome of such matters, the Credit Union cannot state what the eventual outcome of such matters will be; however, based on current knowledge, the Credit Union has made provision for legal litigation liabilities of \$250,000 (2024: \$250,000) and does not believe that any liabilities arising from pending litigation will have a material adverse effect on its financial position or results of operations.

#### 23 Financial risk management

### Introduction

Risk is inherent in the Credit Union's activities but is managed through a process of on-going identification, measurement and monitoring, subject to risk limits and other controls. This process of risk management is critical to the Credit Union's continuing profitability and each employee is accountable for the risk exposures relating to the performance of their duties. The Credit Union is exposed to credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk and operational risk.

The Credit Union's aim therefore is to achieve an appropriate balance between risk and return and minimise potential adverse effects on its financial performance.

The independent risk control process does not include business risks such as changes in the environment, technology and industry. The Credit Union's policy is to monitor those business risks through its strategic planning process.

### Risk management structure

The Board of Directors ("the Board") is responsible for the overall risk management approach and for approving the risk management strategies and principles.

The Supervisory Committee has the responsibility to monitor the overall risk process within the Credit Union.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

**Introduction** ... continued

Risk management structure ...continued

The Credit Union's policy is that risk management processes are audited annually by the Internal Audit function, which examines both the adequacy of the processes and the Credit Union's compliance with the processes. Internal Audit discusses the results of all assessments with management, and reports its findings and recommendations to the Supervisory Committee.

Risk mitigation

As part of its overall risk management, the Credit Union invests a portion of its available funds in lending, financial investments and non-earning assets. The Credit Union's main source of income is derived from lending and it seeks to actively use collateral to reduce its credit risk. The Credit Union also has sought long term funding requirements to match its long-term loan positions.

In order to avoid excessive concentrations of risk, the Credit Union's policies and procedures include specific guidelines to focus on maintaining a diversified portfolio.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that the Credit Union will incur a loss because its members or counterparties fail to discharge their contractual obligations. The Credit Union manages and controls credit risk by setting limits on the amount of risk it is willing to accept for individual counterparties and by monitoring exposures in relation to such limits. Credit risk exposures arise principally in lending activities that lead to loans and advances and investment activities that bring debt securities into the Credit Union's asset portfolio. There is also credit risk in off-balance sheet financial instruments such as commitments.

The Credit Union's ECL methodology, model inputs, significant increase in credit risk (SICR) thresholds, and definition of default remain consistent with those used as at March 31, 2024. Forward-looking information, scenarios and associated weightings, were revised to reflect uncertainty as it relates to current economic conditions and forecast for the next twelve months.

The Credit Union's models are calibrated to consider past performance and macroeconomic forward-looking variables as inputs. Expert credit judgment is applied to consider the exceptional economic circumstances including the assessment of underlying credit deterioration and migration of balances to progressive stages.

Consistent with requirements of IFRS 9, the Credit Union considered both quantitative and qualitative information in the assessment of significant increase in risk. First time utilization of a payment deferral program was not considered an immediate trigger, in keeping with IASB and regulatory guidance, for an account to migrate to a progressive stage, given the purpose of these programs is to provide temporary cashflow relief to the Credit Union's members.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

#### **Modifications**

The Credit Union offers various payment solutions to members who may be experiencing challenging economic times. These include extension of loan term, converting outstanding interest to a separate loan and or debt consolidation. Where modification occurs, loans meeting such criterion are classified according to type and circumstance giving rise to any such modification. The terms and conditions related to each type is tracked monthly and accessed for substantial modifications. Where required, modification gains or losses have been recognised.

The ECL methodology, model inputs, significant increase in credit risk (SICR) thresholds, and definition of default remain consistent with those used as at March 31, 2024. Forward-looking information, scenarios and associated weightings, were revised to reflect current and projected future economic conditions.

The Credit Union groups its loans based on their risk characteristics and in so doing is able to evaluate whether a SICR has occurred based on the following characteristics:

- 1) The borrower is in default greater than 30 days where prior to the evaluation period they were in default 30 days or less.
- 2) Based on a 1,000-basis points increase in the groups 95% Confidence Interval Factor (CIF).

While the Credit union currently has a number of loan products these are assessed for risk purposes in three categories:

- 1) Consumer loans
- 2) Business loan
- 3) Mortgages

Additionally, the credit union assessed these by categories at the product level for any significant increases in credit risk based on the 95% CIF.

## Key inputs and assumptions:

Measuring expected credit losses is a complex calculation involving many interrelated inputs and assumptions. The key drivers of changes in expected losses under the IFRS 9 model include our internal historical default rates, unemployment rates, GDP and inflation rates.

Further details on the key inputs and assumptions used as at March 31, 2025, are provided in Note 2 (e).

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Key inputs and assumptions: ... continued

The following table compares our probability-weighted estimate of expected credit losses for performing loans to expected credit losses estimated in our base case scenario. Results reflect the Stage 1 and Stage 2 allowance for credit losses.

	Carrying value (\$'000)	Base Scenario (\$'000)
As at March 31, 2025 ECL on performing loans	2,112	2,099
As at March 31, 2024 ECL on performing loans	1,772	1,761

Further to our current policy for transfers between stages as described in Note 2, as part of our overlay, we qualitatively increased ECL in stage 2 to reflect the current challenging economic environment. This qualitative adjustment considered the remaining time to maturity, economic projections, scenario weights and the historical behaviour of our portfolio.

The following table illustrates the impact of staging on our ECL by comparing our allowance if all performing loans were in Stage 1, to the actual ECL recorded on these.

	As at March 31, 2025 Performing loans (\$'000)	As at March 31, 2024 Performing loans (\$'000)
ECL - all performing loans to Stage 1 Impact of staging	1,368 744	1,396 376
Stage 1 and 2 ECL	2,112	1,772

Adjustments to ECL have been considered to moderate the impact of dramatic swings in economic input variables or their lagging impact on credit losses. Judgment has been required in the development and application of these overlays. Management relies on the prediction of key reputable authorities with expertise in the area.

While the Barbados economy is projected to experience 4% to 5% growth in 2025, the impact of other world economies upon its tourism product and related industries remains highly uncertain. Consequently, the assumptions used to determine our allowances have a higher-than-usual degree of uncertainty. The inputs used in the calculation of the allowance are inherently subject to change, which may materially impact our estimate of the allowance for expected credit losses.

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## 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Key inputs and assumptions: ...continued

The Credit Union's stage 1 and 2 allowance for credit losses on the loan portfolios as at March 31, 2024 reflects a decrease as a result of the recent recovery observed in many economies and the resilience of our portfolio. The IFRS 9 model could not solely be used to determine expected credit losses as it was not designed with events of this magnitude in mind. As a consequence, a model overlay was used to account for incremental expected losses not captured by the IFRS 9 model.

To address the uncertainties inherent in the current environment and to reflect all relevant risk factors not captured in our model, we applied expert credit judgement in the design of the overlay and the determination of inputs used in the calculation of the allowance. We applied qualitative adjustments to macroeconomic projections, the assumed credit response of the portfolio to the macroeconomic conditions, levels of loss severity and the determination of significant increase in credit risk.

The measurement of expected credit losses is a complex calculation that involves a large number of inputs and assumptions. The key drivers of changes in expected losses include the following:

- Forward looking macroeconomic projections;
- Recent portfolio performance;
- Scenario design and the weighs associated with each scenario; and
- Transfers between stages, which can result from changes in any of the above inputs.

#### Forward looking macroeconomic projections

The PD and LGD inputs used to predict expected credit losses are primarily based on GDP growth projections. The assumed level of response of the PD to the level of economic contraction was informed by historical events, recent portfolio performance and expert judgement. The LGDs used in the calculation of our allowance were qualitatively adjusted upwards to reflect higher expected time to resolution for future defaults secured with real estate collateral. Our allowance for credit losses reflect our economic outlook as at March 31, 2025. Subsequent changes to these forecast and related estimates will be reflected in our allowance for credit losses in future periods.

Our base scenario accounts for the expected gradual recovery of the Barbados economy during 2024 - 2025 and for continued expansion in the economy thereafter, with non-performing loans maintaining a downward trajectory for the 2024 - 2025 fiscal.

Our downside scenario adjusts for negative trends which can adversely affect the future of the Barbadian economy. Our upside scenario considers a marginal improvement on base conditions resulting from faster-than-expected economic recovery. The forecasts of GDP growth rates were informed by external economic projections of key regulatory authorities.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Key inputs and assumptions: ...continued

Internal assessment of the level of member resilience

The PDs used are specific to the type of loan and automatically adjusted for the borrowers' position during the financial year. This adjustment was reflective of the main economic sector impacted by unemployment.

Recent portfolio performance

The PDs used are specific to the portfolio segments and automatically adjusted to take-into account recent portfolio performance. Portfolios which have shown high resilience to adverse economic conditions would have a lower PD level than portfolios with higher default rates.

Changes in scenario design and the weights associated to each scenario

All scenarios considered in our analysis include the impact of the economic conditions as at March 31, 2024; reflective of current economic conditions. In determining our IFRS 9 allowance for credit losses, we reassessed our scenario weights to more heavily weigh the downside scenarios contrast to that which was predicted.

Loans and advances

The Credit Union employs a range of policies and practices to mitigate credit risk relating to loans and advances. The most traditional of these is the taking of security for funds advanced. The principal collateral types for loans and advances within the Credit Union are:

- Mortgages over residential properties
- Charges over financial instruments such as debt securities and equities
- Charges over business assets such as premises
- Hypothecation of deposit balances

It is the Credit Union's policy to dispose of repossessed properties in an orderly fashion. The proceeds are used to reduce or repay the outstanding claims. The Credit Union does not occupy repossessed properties for business use.

Generally, the Credit Union updates the valuation of property held against exposures to members on inception of the loan. However, a more formal valuation is performed, when:

- The loan is 90 days past due and is deemed to have experienced a significant increase in credit risk; and/or
- The valuation is required to provide input into determining management's credit risk actions.

Valuations on all loans which are 90 days past due are further updated on a tri-annual basis.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Loans and advances ...continued

The table below sets out the carrying amount and the value of identifiable collateral (mainly residential property) held against loans and advances to members measured at amortised cost. Where the same collateral is held against two or more loans, the market value of the collateral is proportionally assigned across loans based on the original amount loaned. For each loan, the value of disclosed collateral is capped at the nominal amount of the loan that it is held against.

	2025	2025		2024	
	Carrying amount \$	Collateral \$	Carrying amount \$	Collateral \$	
Stage 1	971,080,829	828,016,272	962,591,043	816,853,264	
Stage 2	29,048,821	24,274,579	27,027,187	21,398,724	
Stage 3	153,235,694	102,890,336	172,581,702	114,012,689	
	1,153,365,344	955,181,187	1,162,199,932	952,264,677	

The collateral value expressed as a percentage of the carrying value was 82.8 percent (2024: 81.9 percent).

Assets obtained by taking possession of collateral

Details of financial and non-financial assets obtained by the Credit Union during the year by taking possession of collateral held as security against loans and advances and held at the year-end are shown below.

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Collateral repossessed during the year and held at year-end	349,873	282,059

#### Financial investments

The Credit Union limits its exposure to credit risk by investing only in entities that have high credit ratings and Government of Barbados securities. Government securities are invested over a longer period than term deposits with other financial institutions which typically mature within one year. The Credit Union also invests in FVOCI equity instruments which gives it an opportunity to monitor the performance of these companies over time and make economic decisions where warranted. The Credit Union has documented investment policies in place, which guide the management of credit risk on investments.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Assessment of corporate investments (term deposits)

Due to limited published market data for term deposits, the Credit Union's internally developed model using published credit rating scores for similar investees and/or Moody's published statistics was used to determine the Probability of Default (PD) rates and Loss Given Default (LGD) applied in the Estimated Credit Losses (ECL) on term deposits.

The Credit Union currently has \$88,495,538 (2024: \$83,448,689) in corporate term deposits which were assessed on an entity level.

Currently, these investments are held in entities which are either regulated by the Central Bank of Barbados or Financial Services Commission as per Section 34A of the Co-operative Societies Act.

Corporate term deposits and investments were staged based on the probability of default assigned to each entity.

These investments were categorized as follows:

**Stage 1:** The entity shows no decline in its ability to repay either based on past performance or future events for which a 12-month PD was assigned. The Investment Credit Rating was unchanged as at the financial year-end.

**Stage 2:** There has been a significant event which has caused or is highly probable to have significant impact on the investee's ability to repay for which the PD assigned was the Cumulative Probability of Default (CPD) rate less the survival period. The Investment credit rating has declined below a company rating. This is where the company or investment classification family is considered speculative and subject to substantial default risk.

**Stage 3:** There has been a default or significant event which has caused or is highly probable to have a significant impact on the investee's ability to repay for which the assigned PD was the CPD rate. The investment credit rating has significantly declined. The company or investment classification family is considered speculative or in poor standing and subject to very high default risk or may be in default on some part of its investment obligation.

IFRS 9 provides that cost can be used as a basis for estimating fair value where there are limitations on supportable information to do otherwise.

There is currently insufficient trading information from published sources to measure the fair market value of the corporate investments.

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## 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

#### The Credit Union's definition of Significant Increase in Credit Risk (SICR)

A significant increase in credit risk (SICR) is defined as a significant change in the estimated default risk over the remaining expected life of the investment.

A comparison is made between the default risk as estimated at the reporting date and the default risk at the initial recognition of each investment individually or by investment group. Where an investment is initially deemed to have low credit risk at origination (the purchase date) and continues to be assessed as having low credit risk at the reporting date, it is deemed that there has been no significant increase in credit risk.

The indicators used to establish whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk is dependent on the nature of the investee, the product type, internal management methods and external market resources.

Key factors for management's consideration in the assessment of credit risk for investments is as follows:

- A significant change in liquidity which can be expected to reduce the investee's economic incentive to make scheduled contractual payments or to otherwise have an effect on the probability of a default occurring.
- 2. Actual or forecasted significant investee downgrade in an external credit rating, withdrawal of a credit rating or delisting from a Stock Exchange.
- 3. Length of time (duration) or the extent to which the fair value of the underlying financial asset or security is less than the amortised cost of the investment at initial recognition.
- 4. An actual or expected significant adverse change in the regulatory, economic, or technological environment of the investee.
- 5. Actual or expected significant change in the operating results of the investee, which can include one or more of the following financial indicators for increased credit risk.
  - (i) Declining revenues or margins
  - (ii) Increasing operating risks
  - (iii) Working capital deficiencies
  - (iv) Decreasing asset quality
  - (v) Increased statement of financial position leverage
  - (vi) Liquidity, management problems or changes in the scope of business or organizational structure (such as the discontinuance of a segment of the business) that results in a significant change in the borrower's ability to meet its debt obligations.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

#### The Credit Union's definition of Significant Increase in Credit Risk (SICR) ... continued

The Credit Union has identified the following qualitative and quantitative indicators as those where cost might not be representative of fair value as the following;

- Significant change in the performance of the investee compared with that of the market;
- Changes in expectations that the investee's technical product milestones will be achieved;
- A significant change in the market for the investee's products, global economy, economic environment in which the entity operates;
- Performance of competitors, matters such as fraud, commercial disputes, litigation, changes in management or strategy; or
- Evidence of external transactions in the investee's equity (take overs).

Each investment was assessed based on the companies' ability to meet its short-term obligations together with its historical relationship with the Credit Union relative to meeting these same obligations.

This back-testing approach is allowed under IFRS 9 in relation to the ranking of investments based on the purpose for which the investment is held.

The investments mentioned herein are best described as callable upon demand, with the exception of that of the Barbados Light & Power Limited which is held as a security deposit. While each investment contract carries a fixed term, they can be called prior to maturity with the penalty of forgone interest.

#### Loss Given Default (LGD)

This methodology is based on Moody's Average Corporate Debt rates measured by Trading prices proxies. The LGD reflects 100% minus the percentage recovery rate. The average LGD for a 1st Lien Bank loan was used as a proxy for BPWCCUL Cash Deposits portfolio.

The expected credit loss allowance computed was \$85,307 (2024: \$76,995) as at March 31, 2025 (Note 9).

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#### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

#### Sovereign debt securities - Government of Barbados

On June 19, 2018, the Barbados government formally entered into default when the grace period for payment of interest and principal on its foreign 2035 bonds expired.

The Barbados Government entered into the Barbados Economic Recovery and Transformation (BERT) program, with its local currency debtors. Under this program holders of treasury bills, treasury notes, debentures, loans and bonds owed by the Government of Barbados received an offer of exchange on September 7, 2018.

The Credit Union's acceptance of this offer resulted in the restructuring of principal and interest payments of \$19,002,841 on its debt securities measured at amortised cost. The new securities were designated as Series B bonds in the amount of \$17,994,321 together with Series D bonds in the amount of \$1,008,847.

In keeping with the requirements of the IFRS 9 standard, the previous investments which were carried at amortised cost were derecognised and replaced by that of the new securities at their fair market value. This resulted in a derecognition loss of \$3,634,651 below their 2018 year end stated value.

As a consequence, a derecognition assessment was carried out as at October 1, 2018 on the principal and capitalized interest of the underlying investments. The Central Bank of Barbados yield curve for these securities was compared with that of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Barbados (ICAB) to arrive at the risk free rate used in the performance of this calculation. The Net Present Value (NPV) was calculated on each strip using the credit-adjusted effective interest rate and was deducted from the carrying value to arrive at the loss on derecognition.

Subsequent to the initial local currency sovereign credit rating on November 3, 2018 of "Selective Default" (SD), this improved to B2 with a Stable outlook on April 14, 2025.

Assessment of Sovereign debt securities

At March 31, 2025 the Credit Union's holdings in Government Securities relating to the Series B and D bonds were classified as POCI (Purchased or Originated Credit Impaired) with an associated ECL of \$71,683.

At March 31, 2025, the balance was \$15,982,626 (2024: \$17,337,026) with a weighted average effective rate of 3.77% (2024: 2.45%). The derecognition loss of \$3,634,651 which was initially recognised was reported at \$1,755,158 (2024 - \$2,043,696) at March 31, 2025.

POCI financial assets are assets that are credit impaired on initial recognition. The Government of Barbados bonds are carried at lifetime ECL which was incorporated into the calculation of the credit-adjusted effective interest rate on initial recognition. Only the change in ECL gives rise to an impairment gain at the end of each assessment period.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Assessment of Amortized Cost Fixed Income Securities

Sovereign debt securities - Government of Barbados

On December 12, 2023, the Credit Union invested \$10,000,000 in GOB BOSS Bonds Plus 2028 with a coupon rate of 4.5% and carried at amortized cost. The associated ECL was \$40,121 as at March 31, 2025 (2024: \$37,460).

Assessment of other debt securities

As at March 31, 2025, the Credit Union held debt securities with the Barbados Port Inc. (BPI) with a carrying value of \$8,000,000 (2024: \$5,159,737) with an average weighted effective yield of 5.71% (2024: 4.47%). An ECL assessment was performed as required by IFRS 9. This assessment on the Credit Union's debt securities measured at amortised cost utilized the following methodology as outlined below:

- Due to the lack of published statistical data and the lack of an active market for securities, Moody's Investor's Report dated April 11, 2024 on Sovereign default and recovery rates, 1983 to 2023 was used to provide the cumulative default rates (CDR) for categories of bonds similar to Barbados. This gave the cumulative probability of default over a 10-year period.
- The recovery rate of 89% (2024 89%) for the Barbados Port Inc. bonds were used since these securities were not part of the debt exchange and had a higher likelihood of repayment due to the corporate independence, financial stability and profitability of the Barbados Port Inc. The loss given default (LGD) was therefore 18.03% which included a country default spread risk premium of 6.44 % (2024 7.08%).
- The discount rate applied was the effective interest rate for amortized cost financial instruments.

Similar to the ECL assessment for term deposits, the staging methodology is as follows:

**Stage 1:** The entity shows no decline in its ability to repay either based on past performance or future events for which a 12-month PD was assigned. The Investment Credit Rating was unchanged as at the financial year-end.

**Stage 2:** There has been a significant event which has caused or is highly probable to have significant impact on the investee's ability to repay for which the PD assigned was the Cumulative Probability of Default (CPD) rate less the survival period. The Investment credit rating has declined below a company rating. This is where the company or investment classification family is considered speculative and subject to substantial default risk.

**Stage 3:** There has been a default or significant event which has caused or is highly probable to have a significant impact on the investee's ability to repay for which the assigned PD was the CPD rate. The investment credit rating has significantly declined. The company or investment classification family is considered speculative or in poor standing and subject to very high default risk or may be in default on some part of its investment obligation.

The above assumptions were the best-case scenario for the Credit Union's securities that are backed by the most reasonable and supportable data available at the time of the assessment.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Assessment of Corporate debt securities...continued

Key data sources as outlined in the expected credit loss assessment methodology were obtained from Moody's, a global credit rating agency that provided published statistics and data on corporate and sovereign bonds and Corporate investments.

The expected credit losses computed were \$174,116 (2024: \$132,203) as at March 31, 2025 (Note 10).

#### **Incorporation of Forward-Looking Information Assessment**

The Credit Union's forward-looking information, an IFRS 9 requirement, was modelled using its internal due diligence process and was included in the final ECL calculation for the year ended March 31, 2025.

The below qualitative and quantitative indicators are used to assess whether it is likely that an investment or group/class of investments would change in the future:

External Indicators - Market/Macro-economic specific shocks

- Significant change in the performance of the investee compared with that of the market
- Changes in expectations that the investee's technical product milestones will be achieved
- A significant change in the market for the investee's products, global economy, economic environment in which the entity operates
- Performance of competitors, matters such as fraud, commercial disputes, litigation, changes in management or strategy
- Evidence of external transactions in the investee's equity (take overs)

Internal Indicators - Company specific shocks

- Increasing/Declining revenues or margins
- Increasing/Decreasing operating risks
- Working capital deficiencies or improvements
- Increase/Decrease in asset quality
- Decreased/Increased statement of financial position leverage
- Liquidity, management problems or changes in the scope of business or organizational structure (such as the discontinuance of a segment of the business) that results in a significant change in the borrower's ability to meet its debt obligations (where the opposite is true)
- Corporate Credit Rating downgrade or upgrade by CariCRIS or other recognised International Rating Agency

The below table provides the Forecast of the Macroeconomic Outlook Scenarios:

Scenarios	<b>Expected State</b>
Upside	Positive
Base case	Stable
Downside	Negative

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

### Incorporation of Forward-Looking Information Assessment...continued

The Credit Union assigned probabilities and related weights based on the most likely forecasted economic outlook for the period under assessment. This probability is multiplied by a multiplier factor based on management's professional judgement to derive the adjustment required to incorporate the forward-looking estimate.

Since Barbados received a stable outlook for the period under assessment by Moody's and the Central Bank of Barbados, the base case scenario was the most likely scenario. Out of the sensitivity analysis of nine forecasted states, a forward-looking adjustment of 4 % (2024 - 4%) was applied as at March 31, 2025.

Exposure to credit risk before collateral held or other credit enhancements

The Credit Union limits its exposure to credit risk by investing only in entities that have high credit ratings and Government of Barbados securities. Government securities are invested over a longer period than term deposits with other financial institutions which typically mature within one year. The Credit Union has invested in FVOCI equity instruments as well, which gives it an opportunity to monitor the performance of these companies over time and make economic decisions where warranted. The Credit Union has documented investment policies in place, which guide the management of credit risk on investments.

Credit risk exposures relating to on-balance sheet assets are as follows:

	Maximum exposure		
	2025	2024	
	\$	\$	
Loans and advances to members:			
Consumer	612,799,327	641,370,224	
Mortgages	537,537,575	517,165,132	
Business	3,028,442	3,664,576	
Financial investments:	, ,	, ,	
Sovereign bonds	37,747,126	32,496,763	
Securitized deposits (note 21)	27,649,919	29,400,141	
Cash resources	477,124,342	448,581,683	
Credit risk exposures relating to off-balance sheet items as follows:			
Loan commitments	62,777,956	59,729,009	
Total maximum exposure	1,758,664,687	1,732,407,528	

The above table represents the maximum credit risk exposure of the Credit Union as of March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024, without taking account of any collateral held or other credit enhancements attached. For statement of financial position assets, the exposures set out above are based on net carrying amounts as reported in the separate statement of financial position.

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### 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

#### Credit quality by class of financial assets

#### Loans and advances

The credit quality of the loans and advances is managed through the prudent underwriting principles established by the Credit Union.

#### Financial investments

The Credit Union has principally invested in government bonds issued by the Government of Barbados which in the 2024 financial year was rated by Standard & Poor's as B-. During the financial year ended March 31, 2025, these bonds were upgraded to rated B.

#### Cash resources

The credit quality of financial institutions holding the Credit Union's cash resources is assessed according to the level of their credit worthiness and by comparison to other financial institutions. The Credit Union places its cash resources with reputable financial institutions.

The tables below show the credit quality analysis by class of financial assets.

#### Credit Quality Analysis

	2025				
	Stage 1	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3	Total \$	
Loans and advances at amortised cost Current Overdue <30 days Overdue 31 days to 89 days	846,517,743 124,563,086	- - 29,048,821	- - -	846,517,743 124,563,086 29,048,821	
Overdue over 90 days			153,235,694	153,235,694	
Total gross loans	971,080,829	29,048,821	153,235,694	1,153,365,344	

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## 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Credit Quality Analysis ...continued

	2024				
	Stage 1	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3	Total \$	
Loans and advances at amortised cost					
Current	816,726,350	_	_	816,726,350	
Overdue <30 days	145,864,693	_	_	145,864,693	
Overdue 31 days to 89 days	, , , <u>–</u>	27,027,187	_	27,027,187	
Overdue over 90 days			172,581,702	172,581,702	
Total gross loans	962,591,043	27,027,187	172,581,702	1,162,199,932	
	2025				
	Stage 1	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3 \$	Total \$	
Other assets					
Internally rated	38,783,090	382,447	3,068,643	42,234,180	
Total other assets	38,783,090	382,447	3,068,643	42,234,180	
	Stage 1	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3 \$	Total \$	
Other assets Internally rated	18,390,051	136,513	1,979,202	20,505,766	
Total other assets					

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# 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Credit Quality Analysis ...continued

	2025					
	Stage 1 \$	Stage 2 \$	POCI \$	Total \$		
Sovereign debt securities measured at amortised cost Standard & Poor's rating: B Government of Barbados						
- series B & D bonds ***  Not rated	_	_	15,982,626	15,982,626		
Barbados Port Inc.	21,764,500	_	_	21,764,500		
Gross sovereign debt securities	21,764,500	_	15,982,626	37,747,126		
	2024					
	Stage 1 \$	Stage 2 \$	POCI \$	Total \$		
Sovereign debt securities measured at amortised cost Standard & Poor's rating: B Government of Barbados - series B & D bonds ***						
Not rated Barbados Port Inc.	15,159,737	_	17,337,026	17,337,026 15,159,737		
Gross sovereign debt securities	15,159,737	_	17,337,026	32,496,763		

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> During the financial year ended March 31, 2025, the credit rating of the Government of Barbados series B & D bonds as per Standard & Poor's was B (positive) (2024: B- (stable).

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# 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Credit Quality Analysis ...continued

	2025			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3 \$	Total \$
Term deposits measured at amortised cost Standard & Poor's rating:				
Not rated	84,134,152	_	_	84,134,152
Gross term deposit	84,134,152	_	_	84,134,152
		202	4	
	Stage 1 \$	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3 \$	Total \$
Term deposits measured at amortised cost Standard & Poor's rating:				
Not rated	80,296,678	_	_	80,296,678
Gross term deposit	80,296,678	_	_	80,296,678

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## 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

### **Expected Credit Loss Allowance Model**

Refer to Accounting policies note 2 (d).

## Loans with renegotiated terms and the Credit Union's forbearance policy

Loans with renegotiated terms are loans that have been restructured due to deterioration in the borrower's financial position, where the Credit Union has made concessions by agreeing to terms and conditions that are more favourable for the borrower than the Credit Union has provided initially. The Credit Union implements a forbearance policy in order to maximise collection opportunities and minimise the risk of default. Under the Credit Union's forbearance policy, loan forbearance is granted on a selective basis in situations where the debtor is currently in default on its debt, or where there is a high risk of default, there is evidence that the debtor made all the reasonable efforts to pay under the original contractual terms and it is expected to be able to meet the revised terms.

The revised terms usually include extending maturity, changing timing of interest payments and amendments to the terms of loan covenants. All loans are subject to the forbearance policy.

Once the loan is restructured, it remains in this category independent of satisfactory performance after restructuring. The Credit Union's Credit Committee regularly reviews reports on forbearance activities.

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Renegotiated loans and advances to individuals	3,553,610	3,312,379

#### Write-off policy

The Credit Union writes off a loan or an investment debt security balance, and any related allowances for impairment losses, when it is determined that the loan or security is uncollectible. This determination is made after considering information such as the occurrence of significant changes in the borrower's/issuer's financial position such that the borrower/issuer can no longer pay the obligation, or that proceeds from collateral will not be sufficient to pay back the entire exposure. For smaller balance standardised loans, write-off decisions generally are based on a product-specific past due status.

#### **Commitments and guarantees**

To meet the financial needs of members, the Credit Union enters into various irrevocable commitments and contingent liabilities. Even though these obligations may not be recognised on the separate statement of financial position, they do contain credit risk and are therefore part of the overall risk of the Credit Union.

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# 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Credit Quality Analysis ...continued

The movement across the loan portfolio as at March 31, are in the following staging categories:

	2025					
	Stage 1 \$	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3	Total \$		
Gross carrying amount						
April 1, 2024	962,591,043	27,027,187	172,581,702	1,162,199,932		
Stage 1 to stage 2	(16,328,132)	16,328,132	_	_		
Stage 1 to stage 3	(12,361,061)	_	12,361,061	_		
Stage 2 to stage 1	17,912,358	(17,912,358)	_	_		
Stage 2 to stage 3	_	(4,139,801)	4,139,801	_		
Stage 3 to stage 1	33,806,389	<u> </u>	(33,806,389)	_		
Stage 3 to stage 2	3,268,130	_	(3,268,130)	_		
Net loans originated (paid)	(17,807,898)	7,745,661	1,227,649	(8,834,588)		
Gross carrying amount April 1, 2025	971,080,829	29,048,821	153,235,694	1,153,365,344		
	2024					
	Stage 1 \$	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total \$		
Gross carrying amount						
April 1, 2023	976,357,786	40,297,623	162,564,166	1,179,219,575		
Stage 1 to stage 2	(28,165,245)	28,165,245	_	_		
Stage 1 to stage 3	(15,341,861)	_	15,341,861	_		
Stage 2 to stage 1	13,843,000	(13,843,000)	_	_		
Stage 2 to stage 3	_	(8,481,204)	8,481,204	_		
Stage 3 to stage 1	6,704,880	_	(6,704,880)	_		
Stage 3 to stage 2	_	1,522,164	(1,522,164)	_		
Net loans originated (paid)	9,192,483	(20,633,641)	(5,578,485)	(17,019,643)		
Gross carrying amount						
April 1, 2024	962,591,043	27,027,187	172,581,702	1,162,199,932		

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# 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Credit risk ... continued

Credit Quality Analysis ...continued

The movement across ECL stages at March 31 were as follows:

	2025					
	Stage 1 \$	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3 \$	Total \$		
Expected credit loss allowance						
Beginning balance	1,395,730	376,408	37,826,161	39,598,299		
Stage 1 to stage 2	(23,675)	23,675	_	_		
Stage 1 to stage 3	(17,923)	_	17,923	_		
Stage 2 to stage 1	249,466	(249,466)	_	_		
Stage 2 to stage 3	_	(57,655)	57,655	_		
Stage 3 to stage 1	7,395,154	_	(7,395,154)	_		
Stage 3 to stage 2	_	714,904	(714,904)	_		
Net ECL re-measurement	(7,630,662)	(63,821)	4,001,396	(3,693,087)		
Ending balance	1,368,090	744,045	33,793,077	35,905,212		

The movement across ECL stages at March 31 were as follows:

	2024				
	Stage 1	Stage 2 \$	Stage 3	Total \$	
Expected credit loss allowance					
Beginning balance	1,597,219	1,360,746	37,752,279	40,710,244	
Stage 1 to stage 2	(45,556)	45,556	_	_	
Stage 1 to stage 3	(24,815)	_	24,815	_	
Stage 2 to stage 1	467,442	(467,442)	_	_	
Stage 2 to stage 3	_	(286,388)	286,388	_	
Stage 3 to stage 1	1,557,074	_	(1,557,074)	_	
Stage 3 to stage 2	· · · –	353,492	(353,492)	_	
Net ECL re-measurement	(2,155,634)	(629,556)	1,673,245	(1,111,945)	
Ending balance	1,395,730	376,408	37,826,161	39,598,299	

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## 23 Financial risk management ... continued

## Liquidity risk and funding management

Liquidity risk is defined as the risk that the Credit Union will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. Liquidity risk arises because of the possibility that the Credit Union might be unable to meet its payment obligations when they fall due under both normal and stressed circumstances. To limit this risk, management has arranged diversified funding sources in addition to its core deposit base, and adopted a policy of managing assets with liquidity in mind and of monitoring future cash flows and liquidity on a daily basis. The Credit Union has developed internal control processes and contingency plans for managing liquidity risk. This incorporates an assessment of expected cash flows and the availability of high-grade collateral which could be used to secure additional funding if required.

The Credit Union maintains a portfolio of highly marketable and diverse assets that are assumed to be easily liquidated in the event of an unforeseen interruption of cash flow. The Credit Union also has committed lines of credit that it can access to meet liquidity needs.

The steps taken by the Credit Union to respond to possible future liquidity constraints arising from adverse economic conditions and the impact of those steps on the Credit Union's financial statements include the following:

- i. The Finance, Investment and Asset Management Committee meets monthly to discuss strategies and plans around managing the liquidity and the capital needs of the Credit Union;
- ii. Analysis of account aggregation to ensure funding sources are adequately stratified;
- iii. Robust stress testing of the liquidity buffer at levels above regulatory requirements;
- iv. Assessing the monthly inflow and outflow of funds (liquidity forecasting);
- v. Identifying and assessing the adequacy of contingency liquidity funding for subsidiaries;
- vi. Revisiting measures geared at strengthening the Credit Union's capital base;
- vii. Monitoring of portfolio behavioral matrices in reference to members servicing their loans;
- viii. Performs periodic liquidity and profitability evaluations for existing activities and strategies;
- ix. Identifies primary and contingent funding sources needed to meet daily operations, as well as seasonal and cyclical cash flow fluctuations;
- x. Ensures liquidity management strategies are consistent with the board's expressed risk tolerance; and
- xi. Evaluates liquidity and profitability risks associated with new business activities.

The Credit Union monitors its loan commitments, which are off-balance sheet items and include unfunded residential mortgages, consumer loans and undrawn lines of credit. Sound risk management practices include closely monitoring the amount of unfunded commitments that require funding over various periods and detailing anticipated demands against unfunded commitments in internal reports and contingency plans.

In addition, the Credit Union maintains cash resources that are assumed to be easily liquidated in the event of an unforeseen interruption of cashflow. The cash resources have a value of \$477,039,035 (2024: 448,504,688) as at March 31, 2025. In balancing profitability goals and liquidity demands, management carefully evaluates the benefits (yield and increased marketability) of holding liquid assets against the expected higher returns associated with less liquid assets. The Credit Union also has a committed line of credit facility for \$7,800,000 (2024: \$7,800,000) that it can access to meet liquidity needs in cases of adverse conditions which results in greater operational cashflows.

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## 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Liquidity risk and funding management ... continued

### Analysis of financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturities

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the undiscounted cash flows (including estimated interest payments) of the Credit Union's financial liabilities as of March 31, 2025 and March 31, 2024 on the basis of their earliest possible contractual maturity.

## Liquidity risk - Financial liabilities

			2025		
	Within 3 months \$	Within 3-12 months	Within 1-5 years \$	Over 5 years \$	Total \$
Deposits Reimbursable	830,483,397	126,437,846	608,289,888	59,199,340	1,624,410,471
shares	_	_	32,619,237	_	32,619,237
Other liabilities	144,774	14,083,961	116,236	2,683,766	17,028,737
	830,628,171	140,521,807	641,025,361	61,883,106	1,674,058,445
			2024		
	Within 3 months \$	Within 3-12 months	Within 1-5 years \$	Over 5 years \$	Total \$
Deposits Reimbursable	816,572,386	120,051,138	588,610,233	63,186,764	1,588,420,521
shares	_	_	27,361,694	_	27,361,694
Other liabilities	246,312	13,537,018	634,840	_	14,418,170
	816,818,698	133,588,156	616,606,767	63,186,764	1,630,200,385

#### Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market variables such as interest rates, foreign exchange rates and equity prices. The Credit Union is mainly exposed to interest rate risk. The Credit Union's exposure to currency risk is minimal since it does not have any significant foreign currency denominated assets.

### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk of loss from the fluctuations in the future cash flows or fair values of financial instruments because of a change in market interest rates. It arises when there is a mismatch between interest-bearing assets and interest-bearing liabilities, which are subject to interest rate adjustments, within a specified period. It can be reflected as a loss of future net interest income and/or a loss of current market values.

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# 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Market risk ... continued

Interest rate risk ... continued

A summary of the Credit Union's interest rate gap position is as follows:

	Up to 3 months \$	Within 3 - 12 months \$	Within 1 - 5 years \$	Over 5 years \$	Non-interest bearing \$	Total \$	
Cash resources Financial investments	396,020,540	24,542,812	56,475,683	_	_	477,039,035	
Debt securities - amortised cost	3,764,500	1,127,615	16,839,124	16,136,843	_	37,868,082	
Securitized Deposit- amortised cost	176,234	631,577	3,252,127	23,589,981	_	27,649,919	
Debt securities - FVTPL	_	59,452	10,000,000	_	_	10,059,452	
Loans and advances	32,252,960	27,444,446	207,490,547	860,775,594	_	1,127,963,547	
Due from related companies	294,568	889,245	4,054,585		17,028,570	22,266,968	
Total assets	432,508,802	54,695,147	298,112,066	900,503,418	17,028,570	1,702,847,003	
Deposits	826,783,886	123,780,419	579,614,178	35,190,256	_	1,565,368,739	
Reimbursable shares	_	_	_	_	32,619,237	32,619,237	
Other liabilities	137,785	334,807	113,963	-	15,878,707	16,465,262	
Total liabilities	826,921,671	124,115,226	579,728,141	35,190,256	48,497,944	1,614,453,238	
Interest rate gap	(394,412,869)	(69,420,079)	(281,616,075)	865,313,162	(31,469,374)	88,393,765	

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# 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Market risk ... continued

Interest rate risk ... continued

	2024						
	Up to 3 months	Within 3 - 12 months \$	Within 1 - 5 years \$	Over 5 years \$	Non-interest bearing \$	Total \$	
Cash resources Financial investments	373,603,398	11,683,498	63,217,792	_	_	448,504,688	
Debt securities - amortised cost Securitized Deposit- amortised	_	6,101,392	16,684,330	9,717,102	-	32,502,824	
cost	187,427	576,334	3,460,761	25,175,619	_	29,400,141	
Debt securities - FVTPL	_	59,452	10,000,000	_	_	10,059,452	
Loans and advances	33,801,296	31,592,119	222,403,471	843,936,236	_	1,131,733,122	
Due from related companies	290,912	878,204	5,238,398		16,670,748	23,078,262	
Total assets	407,883,033	50,890,999	321,004,752	878,828,957	16,670,748	1,675,278,489	
Deposits	813,155,468	117,557,387	557,667,554	36,416,656	_	1,524,797,065	
Reimbursable shares	_	_	_	_	27,361,694	27,361,694	
Other liabilities	228,406	500,168	620,584		12,998,082	14,347,240	
Total liabilities	813,383,874	118,057,555	558,288,138	36,416,656	40,359,776	1,566,505,999	
Interest rate gap	(405,500,841)	(67,166,556)	(237,283,386)	842,412,301	(23,689,028)	108,772,490	

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# 23 Financial risk management ... continued

Market risk ... continued

Interest rate risk ... continued

An interest rate sensitivity analysis was performed to determine the impact on profit of reasonable possible changes in the interest rates prevailing as at March 31, 2024, with all other variables held constant.

The impact is illustrated and shown in the table below:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Increase / decrease of 100 bps		
Impact on profit + 100 bps	(77,921)	(673,427)
Impact on profit - 100 bps	76,680	667,878

## Interest rate benchmark reform

A fundamental reform of major interest rate benchmarks is being undertaken globally, including the replacement of some interbank offered rates (IBORs) with alternative nearly risk-free rates (referred to as 'IBOR reform'). The Group does not have significant exposure to IBORs on its financial instruments that will be reformed as part of this market-wide initiative.

#### **Operational risk**

Operational risk is the risk of direct or indirect loss arising from a wide variety of causes associated with the Credit Union's processes, personnel, technology and infrastructure, and from external factors other than credit, market and liquidity risks such as those arising from legal and regulatory requirements and generally accepted standards of corporate behaviour.

While operational risk is inherent to each of the Credit Union's business activities, the exposure is minimised by ensuring that the appropriate infrastructure, controls, systems and human resources are in place. Key policies and procedures used in managing operating risk involve a strong internal audit function, segregation of duties, delegation of authority, and financial and managerial reporting.

Within the Credit Union, mitigation of operating risk is assigned to senior management supported by a well-defined organisational structure that segregates operational and administrative functions. Back-up capabilities are also maintained to ensure on-going service delivery in adverse circumstances.

In addition, periodic reviews are undertaken by the Internal Audit department. The results of the reviews are discussed with the management of the business unit to which they relate, senior management and Board of Directors.

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#### 24 Fair value

Fair value represents 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 and is best evidenced by a quoted market price, if one exists.

Financial assets and liabilities are carried at amounts, which approximate to their fair value at the separate statement of financial position date. Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on market conditions and information about the financial instrument.

These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgment and therefore, cannot be determined with precision. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect the estimates.

For financial assets and financial liabilities that are liquid or have short term maturity, it is assumed that the carrying amounts approximate their fair value. These include cash resources, due from related companies, other assets, financial instruments, other liabilities and reimbursable shares. The fair value of debt securities is based on quoted prices where available, or otherwise based on an appropriate yield curve with the same remaining term to maturity. The fair value of loans and advances largely approximates carrying value as the Credit Union's portfolio comprises mainly variable rate loans. The fair value of deposits takes account of certain fixed rate deposits which have been discounted at current interest rates.

The fair values of financial assets and liabilities, together with the carrying amounts shown in the separate statement of financial position are shown in the table below:

	202	5	2024		
	Carrying amount \$	Fair value \$	Carrying amount \$	Fair value \$	
Assets					
Cash resources	477,039,035	477,039,035	448,504,688	448,504,688	
Financial investments					
- Amortised cost	65,518,001	65,518,001	61,902,965	61,902,965	
- FVTPL	10,059,452	10,059,452	10,059,452	10,059,542	
- FVOCI - quoted	980,000	980,000	940,000	940,000	
- FVOCI - unquoted	1,958,342	1,958,342	2,105,116	2,105,116	
Loans and advances	1,127,963,547	1,130,105,774	1,131,733,122	1,134,416,887	
Due from related companies	22,266,968	22,266,968	23,078,262	23,078,262	
Other assets	36,100,528	36,100,528	14,363,264	14,363,264	
	1,751,945,325	1,754,087,552	1,692,686,869	1,695,370,724	
Liabilities					
Deposits	1,565,368,739	1,624,410,470	1,524,797,065	1,588,420,521	
Reimbursable shares	32,619,237	32,619,237	27,361,694	27,361,694	
Other liabilities	16,465,262	16,465,262	14,347,240	14,347,240	
	1,614,452,893	1,673,494,624	1,566,505,999	1,630,129,455	

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#### 24 Fair value ... continued

## Determination of fair value and fair value hierarchy

The Credit Union uses the following hierarchy for determining and disclosing the fair value of financial instruments by valuation technique:

Level 1: quoted (unadjusted) prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the separate statement of financial position date. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Credit Union is the current bid price. These instruments are included in Level 1.

Level 2: other techniques for which all inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value are observable, either directly or indirectly.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to determine the fair value of an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in Level 2.

Level 3: techniques which use inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value that are not based on observable market data.

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in Level 3.

The following table presents the Credit Union's financial instruments that are measured at fair value.

	2025			
	Level 1 \$	Level 2 \$	Level 3	Total balance \$
Investment securities Equity securities				
- FVOCI - quoted	_	980,000	_	980,000
- FVOCI - unquoted	_	, <u> </u>	1,958,342	1,958,342
Debt securities - FVTPL		_	10,059,452	10,059,452
		980,000	12,017,794	12,997,794

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## 24 Fair value ... continued

	2024			
	Level 1 \$	Level 2 \$	Level 3	Total balance \$
Investment securities Equity securities				
- FVOCI - quoted	_	940,000	_	940,000
- FVOCI - unquoted Debt securities	_	_	2,105,116	2,105,116
- FVTPL		_	10,059,452	10,059,452
		940,000	12,164,568	13,104,568

The following table shows a reconciliation of all movements in the fair value of financial investments categorised within Level 2 between the beginning and end of the reporting period.

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Balance - beginning of year Unrealised gain	940,000 40,000	890,000 50,000
Balance - end of year	980,000	940,000

The following table shows a reconciliation of all movements in the fair value of financial investments categorised within Level 3 between the beginning and end of the reporting period.

	2025 \$	2024 \$
Balance - beginning of year Unrealised (loss)/ gain	12,164,568 (146,774)	12,040,336 124,232
Balance - end of year	12,017,794	12,164,568

There were no transfers in or out of Level 3 during the year ended March 31, 2025 (2024: nil).

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#### 24 Fair value ... continued

Significant unobservable inputs that have been considered in determining the fair value of Level 3 securities are as follows:

Valuation technique	Significant unobservable inputs	Inter-relationship between key unobservable inputs and fair value measurement
The valuation assessment performed was based on a	Shareholding percentage	The estimated fair value would increase/(decrease) if:
market approach and in	Net assets	
particular, comparable		Shareholding increases/(decreases)
company valuation multiples.	Earnings before Interest, Tax,	
In concluding using this approach, a median of the	Depreciation and Amortisation (EBITDA)	Net assets were higher/(lower)
various market based multiples		EBITDA was higher/(lower)
was considered. These	Earnings Before Interest and Tax	- , , ,
multiples included the price to book value multiple, price to	(EBIT)	EBIT was higher/(lower)
earnings multiple, EBITDA Revenue multiple, EBIT multiple and revenue multiple.	Revenue was higher/(lower)	

### 25 Capital management

The Credit Union's objectives when managing capital, which is a broader concept than the 'equity' on the face of the separate statement of financial position, are:

- To comply with the capital requirements set by the regulators of financial institutions where the Credit Union operates;
- To safeguard the Credit Union's ability to continue as a going concern so that it can continue to provide returns to its members and benefits to other stakeholders, and
- To maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business.

Capital adequacy and the use of regulatory capital are monitored daily by the Credit Union's management, employing techniques based on policies and guidelines regulated by the Co-operative Societies Act.

The Credit Union's approach to managing capital did not change during the period.

## Regulatory capital requirement

Under governing legislation which became effective March 31, 2008, the Credit Union is required to transfer from net surplus for the year an amount equivalent to the greater of 25% of net surplus or 0.5% of total assets until the capital to total assets ratio equals 10%. (Note 19)

The Credit Union has complied with all externally imposed capital requirements.