

Presentation to Investors and Analysts



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# Nigerian Economy and Key Developments in the Banking Sector

 As we continue monitoring the macroeconomic fundamentals, Nigeria remains Africa's largest economy with strong sectors and significant opportunities.

#### **Real GDP Growth:**

- Nigeria recorded a real GDP growth of 2.38% YoY in Q4 2018, an increase of 57bps from 1.81% recorded in Q3 2018.
- The Oil sector contracted by 1.62% YoY, while the non-oil sector grew by 2.70% driven largely by activities in Information and communication, transportation & storage, arts & entertainment, agriculture and manufacturing.

#### **Headline Inflation:**

- Headline inflation declined for the third consecutive month to print at 11.25% YoY (vs. 11.31% YoY in February 2019).
- Food inflation came out lower than expected as it declined by 2bps to 13.45% YoY (vs. 13.47% YoY in February 2019.

#### Oil Production & Price:

• OPEC average monthly basket price increased by 16.7% in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2019, from \$56.9/bbl recorded at the end of Q4 2018 to \$66.4/bbl recorded at the end of Q1 2019.

#### **Foreign Reserves:**

 Nigerian foreign reserves grew marginally by 3% QoQ from \$43.1bn recorded at the end of Q4 2018 to \$44.4bn recorded at the end of Q1 2019.

#### **Exchange Rate:**

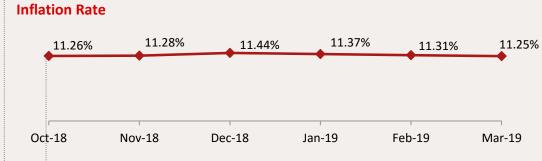
 Exchange rate remained relatively stable in Q1 2019 as we saw a further convergence between the NAFEX and NIFEX exchange rates. Rates as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 (NGN/USD): NAFEX(I&E) – 360.5; NIFEX – 356.1

#### Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) & Monetary Policy Rate (MPR):

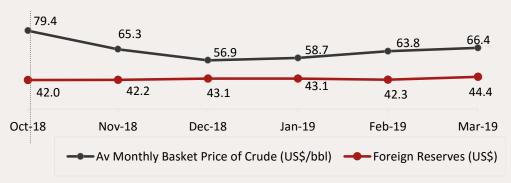
• In March 2019, the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) reduced the Monetary Policy Rate (MPR) for the first time since July 2016, from 14% to 13.5%. The Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) and Liquidity Ratio remained unchanged at at 22.5% and 30% respectively.







#### **Foreign Reserves / Oil Price**



Source: National Bureau of Statistics, Central Bank of Nigeria, OPEC

# Our Investment Proposition

Market leadership, growth capacity, solid and liquid capital base, strengthened ERM practices, good returns on investment and excellent customer service

#### A dominant player in the Nigerian Banking Industry:

- Controls a significant share of the high end corporate clients in strategic sectors of the Nigerian economy.
- The bank uses its strong balance sheet and liquidity as well as efficient trade finance processes and services, to continuously grow and support businesses.
- Has began to attract and grow its share of retail customers and retail business in the market.

#### **Strong Focus on Risk Management:**

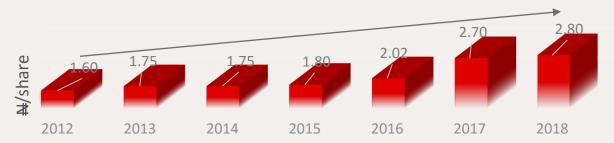
Despite the challenging operating environment, NPL ratio came in at 4.85% with a coverage ratio of 155.5%.

#### **Credit Rating:**

- Standard and Poor's ratings for Zenith Bank are: B/Stable/B (Issuer Credit Rating) and ngBBB/ngA-2 (National Scale Rating).
- Fitch ratings are: 1) Long-term foreign currency IDR: 'B+' Negative Outlook; 2)Short-term foreign currency IDR: 'B'; 3)National Long-term rating: 'AA-(nga)'; 4)National Short-term rating: 'F1+(nga)'.
- Moody's ratings: 1) Long Term Debt B2 with Stable Outlook; 2) Foreign currency deposit B3.

#### **Consistent and Growing Dividend Payout:**

Good and consistent dividend payout to its investors.



# **Non-financial Highlights**

#### **Social Impact/CSR**

Zenith Bank National Women Basketball League

Official Bank of the Nigerian National Football Teams

Zenith Delta Principal's Cup

Zenith Pinkcruise Mobile Cancer Screening Machines

X Style by Zenith

Zenith Bank Youth Parade

#### **Awards**

**Best Bank in Corporate Governance 2018** 

World Finance

Most Valuable Bank Brand 2018

- The Banker

Best Institution in Sustainability Reporting in Africa 2018

- The SERAS CSR Awards

**Best Corporate Governance Financial Services 2018** 

- Ethical Boardroom

Bank of the Year 2018

- BusinessDay

#### **Product Innovations**





#### **Zenith Trade Portal**

#### **Social Following**

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958,356



16,701,356

#### **Ratings**

Fitch - B+/Negative/B

Standard & Poors - B/Stable/B

Moody - B2/Stable/B3

#### **Share Holdings**

Number of Shareholders



639,403

#### **Customers/Channels**

Number of Customers



8,246,217

Number of Cards Issued



6,543,271

Number of POS Terminals



34,862

Number of ATM Terminals



1,928

Number of Branches



420

Number of Cash Centres



176

Number of Male Employees



3,862

Number of Female Employees



3,528



# Financial Highlights — Q1 2019

# **Key Themes**

Efficiency and risk management for superior performance

Building a shock-proof balance sheet

#### **Income Statement**

Gross earnings:
Net interest income:
N86.1Bn

Profit before tax:
N57.3Bn

Profit after tax:
N50.2Bn

(6.6%) YoY

+23.1% YoY

+6.1% YoY

#### **Balance Sheet**

Gross loans: N1.94Tn

Total assets: N5.88Tn

Customers' deposits:
N3.57Tn

(3.9%) YTD

(1.3%) YTD

(3.2%) YTD

Total shareholders'
funds: N780.9Bn

(4.3%) YTD

# Financial Highlights – Q1 2019 Contd.

Key Ratios						
	31-Mar-19	31-Mar-18	% change			
Return on average equity (RoAE)	25.2%	24.3%	4.1%			
Return on average assets (RoAA)	3.4%	3.3%	1.8%			
Earnings per share (EPS)	₩1.6	₩1.5	6.7%			
Net interest margin - NIM	8.9%	9.3%	4.5%			
Cost of funds	3.0%	4.0%	(26.8%)			
Cost of risk	0.4%	0.9%	(50.6%)			
Cost-to-income ratio	50.9%	53.3%	(4.5%)			
	31-Mar-19	31-Dec-18				
Liquidity ratio	66.7%	69.7%	(4.3%)			
Loan-to-deposit ratio	43.0%	44.2%	(2.7%)			
Capital adequacy ratio (CAR)	25.0%	25.0%	0%			
Non-performing loan ratio (NPL)	4.85%	4.98%	(2.6%)			
Coverage ratio	155.5%	192.4%	(19.2%)			

# Profit or Loss Statement

Strong profitability, driven by the 3 C's:

- cost of funding
- cost of risk
- cost to income

(N'million)	Group	Group	YOY
	3M 19	3M 18	Change
Gross income	158,111	169,192	-6.55%
Interest and similar income	122,480	116,712	4.94%
Interest and similar expense	(36,343)	(46,720)	-22.21%
Net interest income	86,137	69,992	23.07%
Impairment charge	(2,096)	(4,573)	-54.17%
Net interest income after impairment charge	84,041	65,419	28.47%
Net fee and commission income	21,314	20,837	2.29%
Trading income	7,812	27,618	-71.71%
Other income	3,530	4,025	-12.30%
Amortisation of intangible assets	(749)	(526)	42.40%
Depreciation of property and equipment	(4,750)	(3,889)	22.14%
Personnel expenses	(18,289)	(15,566)	17.49%
Operating expenses	(35,616)	(43,917)	-18.90%
Profit before tax	57,293	54,001	6.10%
Tax expense	(7,059)	(6,922)	1.98%
Profit after tax	50,234	47,079	6.70%

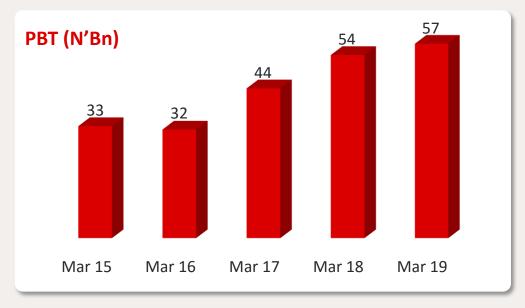
# **Consolidating Earnings and Profitability**

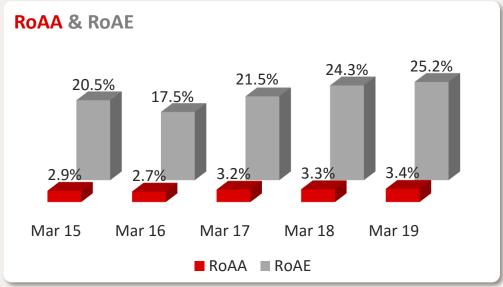


Zenith Group has been consistent in delivering attractive earnings profile, supported by an improved operating efficiency

#### **Comments**

- PBT increased YoY by 6.1% from N47.1bn in Q1 2018 to N50.2bn in Q1 2019. The 23.1% YoY growth in net interest income and 54.2% reduction in impairment loss accounted for PBT growth.
- ROAE increased by 4.1% YoY from 24.3% to 25.2%. The bank remains committed to continue to deliver impressive returns to its investors.
- ROAA improved from 3.3% to 3.4% YoY demonstrating the group's improved efficiency in assets utilization

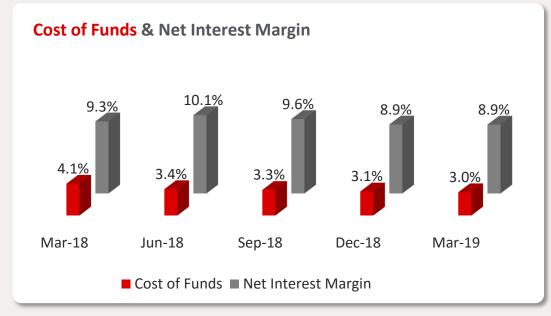


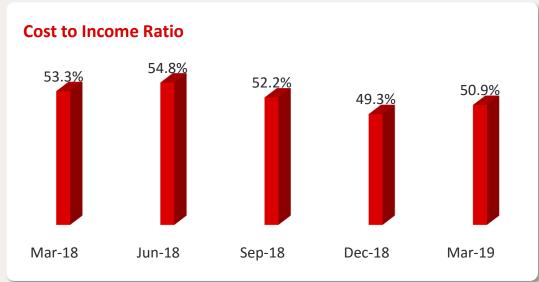


# **Consolidating Earnings and Profitability Contd.**

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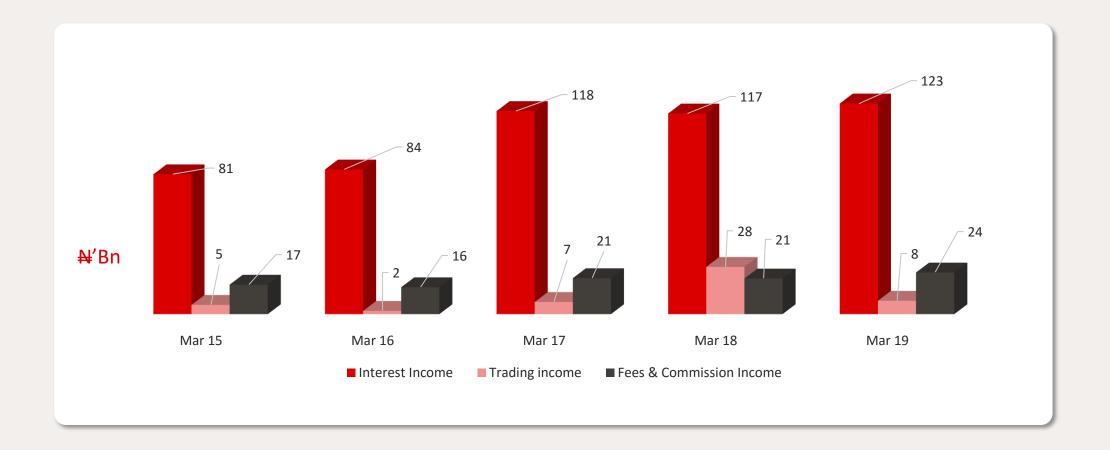
- Net Interest Margin NIM decreased YoY by 4.5% (from 9.3% in Q1 2018 to 8.9% in Q1 2019) as a result of decline in the yield environment for money market instruments and drop in average interest rate on loans and advances to customers
- Cost of Funds improved significantly by 26.8% YoY from 4.1% recorded in Q1 2018 to 3.0% in Q1 2019. The group will continue to focus on its drive for low cost deposit mix.
- Cost-to-Income Ratio decreased by 4.5% YoY, from 53.3% in Q1 2018 to 50.9% in Q1 2019. The group is committed to maintaining an improved level of operating efficiency.





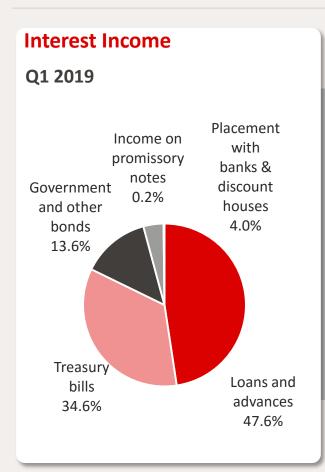
## **Evolution of Revenue Base**

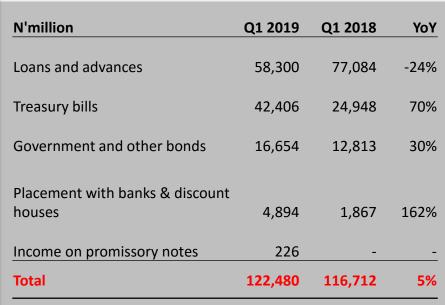
- Over the years, the Group has experienced a consistent growth in interest income and fees & commission income lines of revenue.
- Trading income declined as some of the matured swaps were not rolled over while those rolled over were
  done at lower margins.

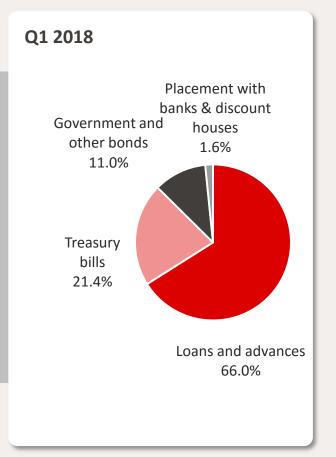


### **Revenue Base: Interest Income Diversification**

 Interest income inched up by 5% YoY as a result of the increased investment in government treasury bills and bonds.  The growth in interest income in a relatively declining yield environment underscores the bank's brilliant balance sheet management.

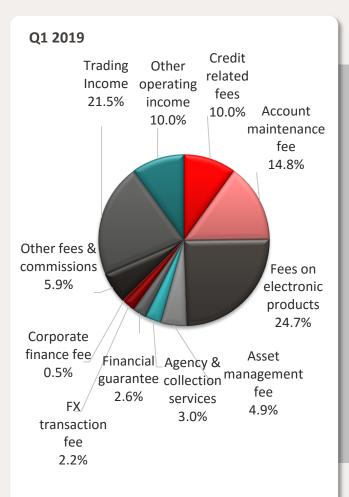




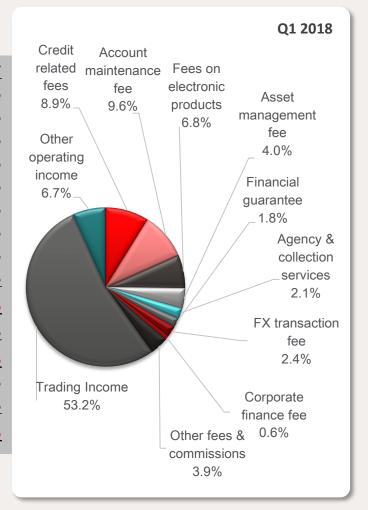


### **Revenue Base: Non-Interest Income Diversification**

 The bank is committed to continually improve on its income diversification and growth.  Fees on electronics products grew by 148%, contributing about 25% of NII. The Group will continue to improve on its electronic platforms and increase its share of the retail business.

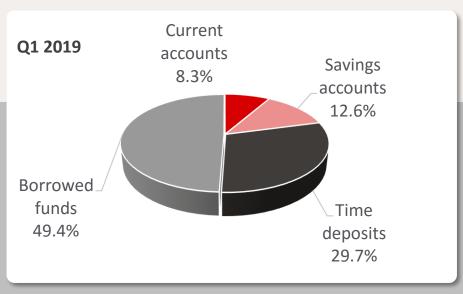


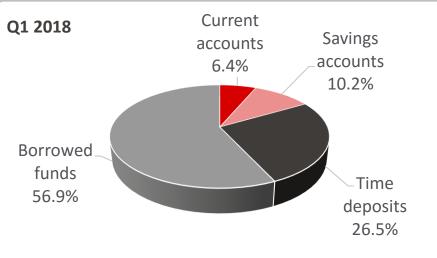
N'million	Q1 2019	Q1 2018	YoY
Credit related fees	3,537	4,620	-23%
Account maintenance fee	5,238	4,962	6%
Fees on electronic products	8,738	3,518	148%
Asset management fee	1,741	2,093	-17%
Agency & collection services	1,073	1,111	-3%
Financial guarantee	933	958	-3%
FX transaction fee	779	1,242	-37%
Corporate finance fee	163	333	-51%
Other fees & commissions	2,087	2,000	4%
Total fees & commission income	24,289	20,837	17%
Fees and commission expense	-2,975	-2,197	35%
Net fee & commission income	21,314	18,640	14%
Trading Income	7,612	27,618	-72%
Other operating income	3,530	3,465	2%
Net non- interest income	32,456	49,723	-35%



# **Interest Expense: Funding Cost Optimization**

#### **Interest Expenses**





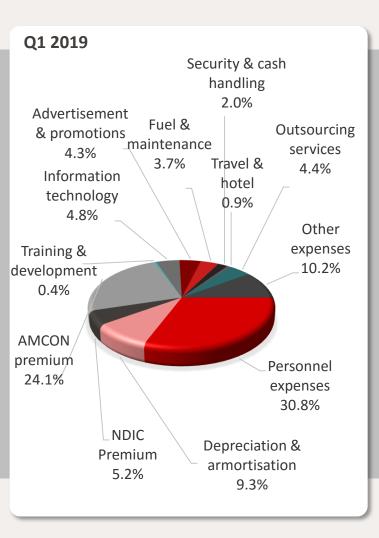
Interest expense dropped by 22%, reflecting our drive towards cost of funds optimization which declined from 4.0% to 3.0% YoY.

N'million	Q1 2019	Q1 2018	YoY
Current accounts	3,007	2,975	1%
Savings accounts	4,566	4,779	-4%
Time deposits	10,805	12,366	-13%
Borrowed funds	17,965	26,600	-32%
Total	36,343	46,720	-22%

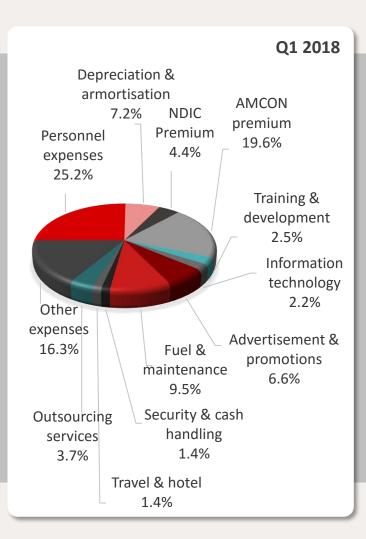
# **Continuous Efforts in Cost-Reduction Strategies**

• The group's drive towards cost optimization yielded positive results as total operating expense declined by 4% YoY and cost to income ratio also declined from 53.3% to 50.9% YoY.

#### **Total Operating Expenses**



N'million	01 2010	01 2010	VoV
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Personnel expenses	18,289	15,566	17%
Depreciation & armortisation	5,499	4,415	25%
NDIC Premium	3,090	2,722	14%
AMCON premium	14,327	12,084	19%
Training & development	247	1,573	-84%
Information technology	2,836	1,335	112%
Advertisement & promotions	2,541	4,084	-38%
Fuel & maintenance	2,202	5,854	-62%
Security & cash handling	1,169	842	39%
Travel & hotel	532	882	-40%
Outsourcing services	2,613	2,292	14%
Other expenses	6,059	10,057	-40%
Total	59,404	61,706	-4%



# **Balance Sheet – Assets**

Strong and liquid balance sheet led by securities portfolio and interbank placements.

	Group	Group	YTD	Group
(N'million)	Mar-19	Dec-18	Change	Mar-18
Cash and balances with central banks	965,833	954,416	1.20%	940,981
Treasury bills	810,086	1,000,560	-19.04%	986,571
Assets pledged as collateral	549,270	592,935	-7.36%	445,896
Due from other banks	823,738	674,274	22.17%	760,510
Derivative assets	87,374	88,826	-1.63%	65,814
Loans and advances	1,792,276	1,823,111	-1.69%	1,757,011
Investment securities	542,188	565,312	-4.09%	419,808
Deferred tax assets	9,450	9,513	-0.66%	9,253
Other assets	117,445	80,948	45.09%	138,634
Property and equipment	162,810	149,137	9.17%	137,441
Intangible assets	16,981	16,678	1.82%	13,885
Total Assets	5,877,451	5,955,710	-1.31%	5,675,804

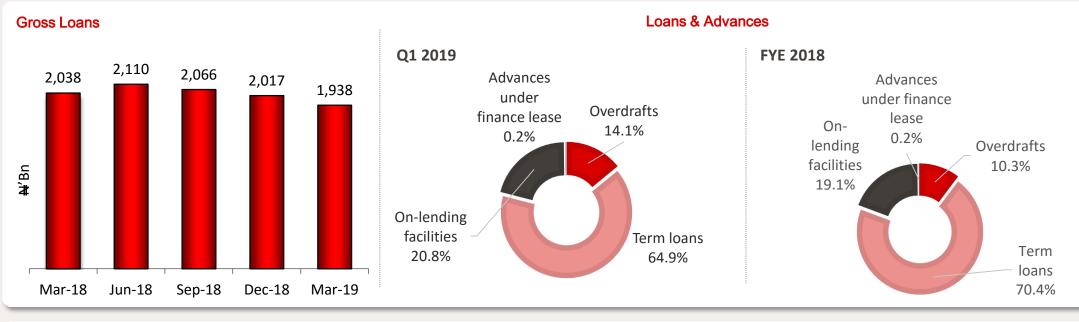
# **Balance Sheet – Liabilities & Equity**

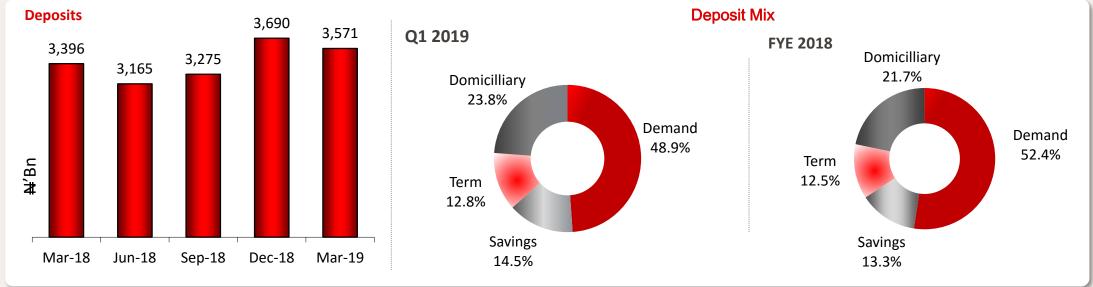
Assets are largely funded by deposits with a strong capital base providing buffer for further growth.

(N'million)	Group	Group	YTD	Group
Liabilities	Mar-19	Dec-18	Change	Mar-18
Customers deposits	3,571,370	3,690,295	-3.22%	3,396,182
Derivative liabilities	9,258	16,995	-45.53%	7,148
Current income tax payable	14,642	9,154	59.95%	13,625
Deferred income tax liabilities	36	67	-46.27%	-
Other liabilities	307,336	231,716	32.63%	328,286
On-lending facilities	404,995	393,295	2.97%	443,440
Borrowings	421,322	437,260	-3.64%	408,140
Debt Securities Issued	367,604	361,177	1.78%	343,737
Total liabilities	5,096,563	5,139,959	-0.84%	4,940,558
Equities and reserves				
Share capital	15,698	15,698	0.00%	15,698
Share premium	255,047	255,047	0.00%	255,047
Retained earnings	290,411	322,237	-9.88%	268,592
Other reserves	218,232	221,231	-1.36%	194,612
Non-controlling Interest	1,500	1,538	-2.47%	1,297
Total Shareholders' equity	780,888	815,751	-4.27%	735,246

### **Sustained Assets & Liabilities Match**

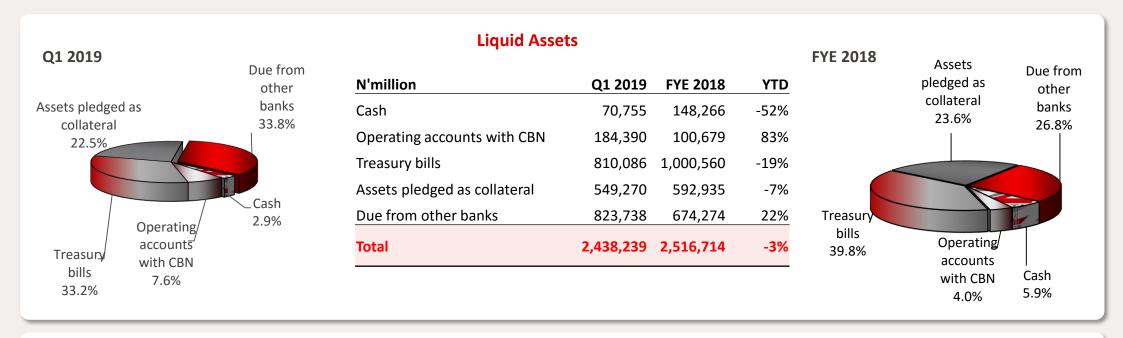
- Deposit funded loan portfolio, with largely term loans to top-rated corporates.
- Deposit base is predominantly current accounts which supports attractive net interest margin extraction with increasing savings account balance.

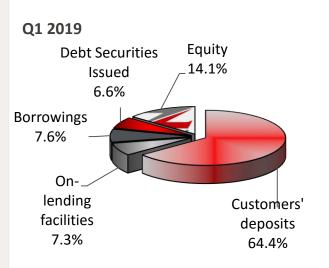




### **Continued Market Dominance - Strong Liquid Asset Base & Funding Mix**

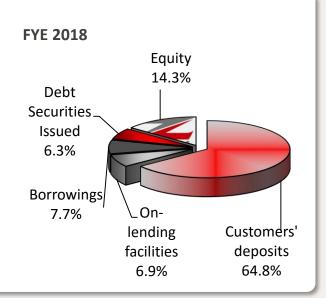
High quality and liquid balance sheet, with diversified source of funding.





N'million	Q1 2019	FYE 2018	YoY
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On-lending facilities	404,995	393,295	3%
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Equity	780,888	815,751	-4%
Total	5,546,179	5,322,492	4%

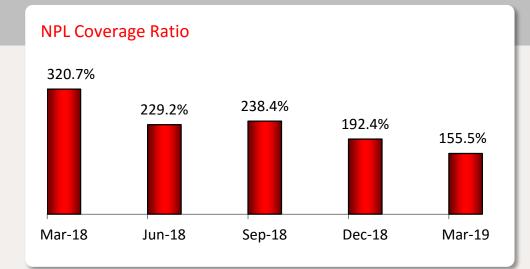
**Funding Mix** 

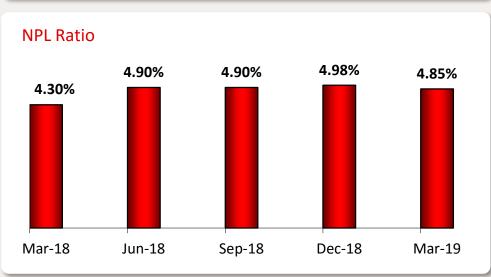




# **Healthy Risk Assets Portfolio**

Strong risk management has contained NPL ratio with adequate coverage levels





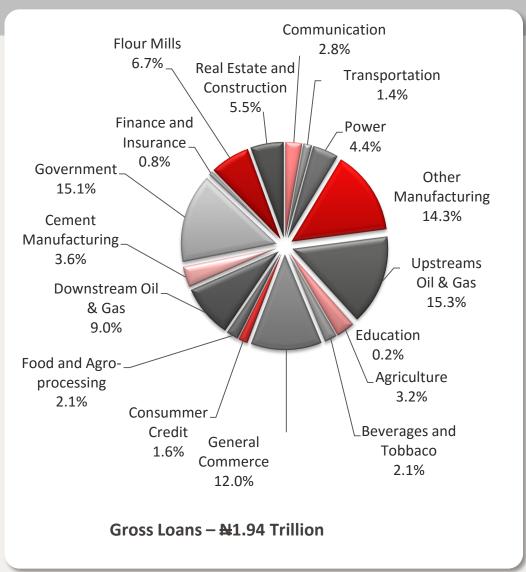
#### **Our Risk Management Strategy**

- The Group adopts a complete and integrated approach to risk management that is driven from the Board level to the operational activities of the bank.
- Risk management is practiced as a collective responsibility coordinated by the risk control units and is properly segregated from the market facing units to assure independence.
- The process is governed by well defined policies and procedures that are subjected to continuous review and are clearly communicated across the group.
- There is a regular scan of the environment for threats and opportunities to improve industry knowledge and information that drives decision making.
- The group maintains a proactive approach to business and ensures an appropriate balance in its risk and reward objectives.
- Risk culture is continuously being entrenched through appropriate training and acculturation.

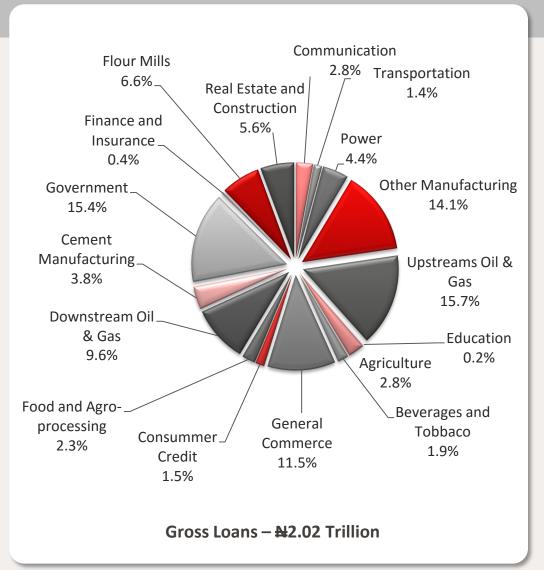
# **Focused Risk Management via Portfolio Diversification**

• Well diversified loan portfolio across sectors supports asset quality.

#### Loans by Sector - Q1 2019

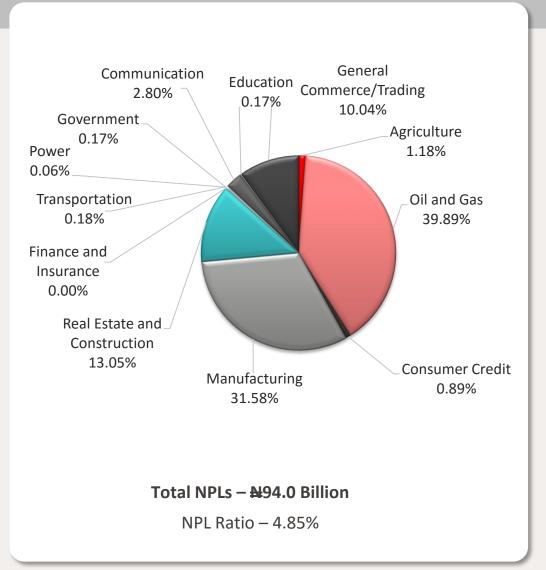


#### Loans by Sector – FYE 2018

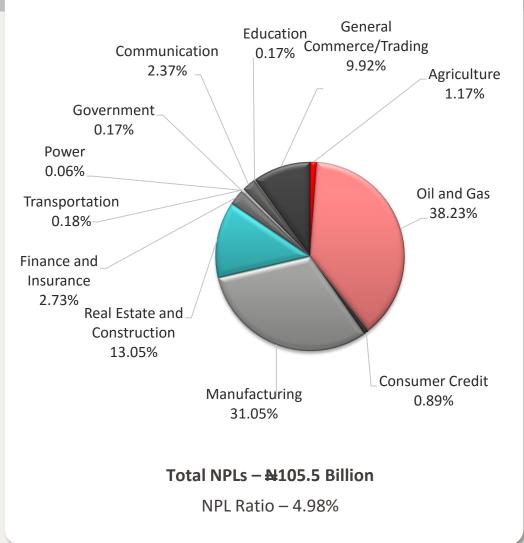


# **NPL** by Sectors

#### Q1 2019



#### **FYE 2018**

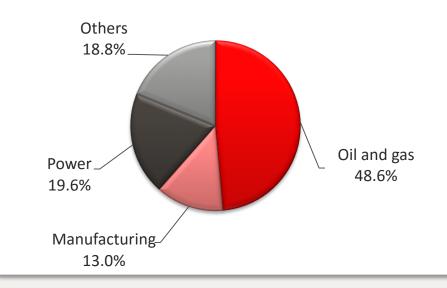


# **Foreign Currency Loans & Restructured Loans**

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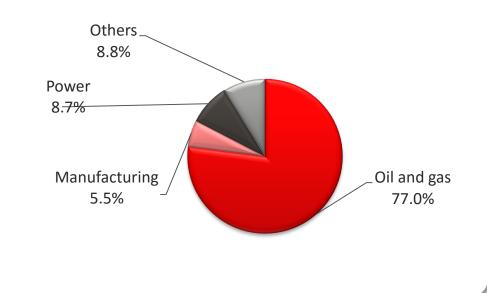
#### Foreign Currency Loans – Q1 2019

USD loans by sector	US\$' m	N'm	% to US\$ loans	% to Gross loans
Oil and gas	1,050	378,658	48.56%	19.54%
Manufacturing	281	101,137	12.97%	5.22%
Power	425	153,069	19.63%	7.90%
Others	408	146,909	18.84%	7.58%
Total US\$ loans	2,163	779,773	100.00%	40.23%



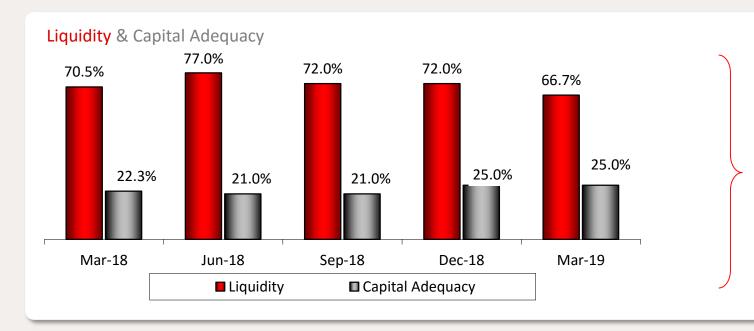
#### **Cumulative Restructured Loans – Q1 2019**

Restructured Loans by sector	N'm	% to Restructured loans	% to Gross loans
Oil and gas	162,753	77.01%	8.40%
Manufacturing	11,677	5.53%	0.60%
Power	18,360	8.69%	0.95%
Others	18,538	8.77%	0.96%
Total restructured loans	211,328	100.00%	10.90%

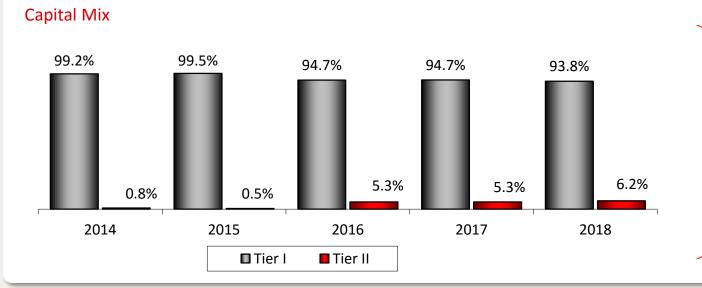


# **Strong Capitalisation and Liquidity**

• Liquidity buffer well in excess of regulatory requirements. Solid and high-quality capital position provides room for further growth.



Capital and liquidity ratios for the Bank – well above industry requirements of 30% for Liquidity and 15% for Capital Adequacy Ratio



Capital base – predominantly made up of Tier 1 (core capital) which consists of share capital and reserves.



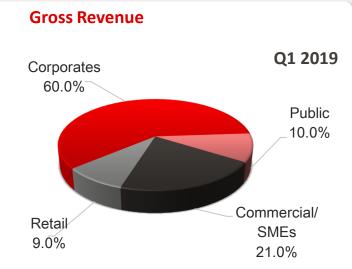
# Business Segments Performance & Subsidiary Review

# **Performance – By Business Segments**

- Continuous diversification and improved profitability across core business segments
- Percentage of gross revenue attributable to retail segment grew from 6.2% to 9% YoY. We expect this segment to continue to grow in line with our retail drive.

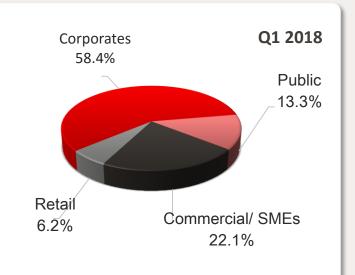
# 3 Months Ended March 2019 (₩'million)

	Corporates	Public	Commercial/ SMEs	Retail	Consolidated
Total revenue	94,867	15,783	33,203	14,258	158,111
Total expenses	(63,515)	(10,082)	(21,172)	(6,049)	(100,818)
Profit before tax	31,352	5,701	12,031	8,209	57,293
Tax	4,602	558	1,299	600	(7,059)
Profit after tax	26,749	5,144	10,732	7,609	50,234



# 3 Months Ended March 2018 (\(\pma'\)million)

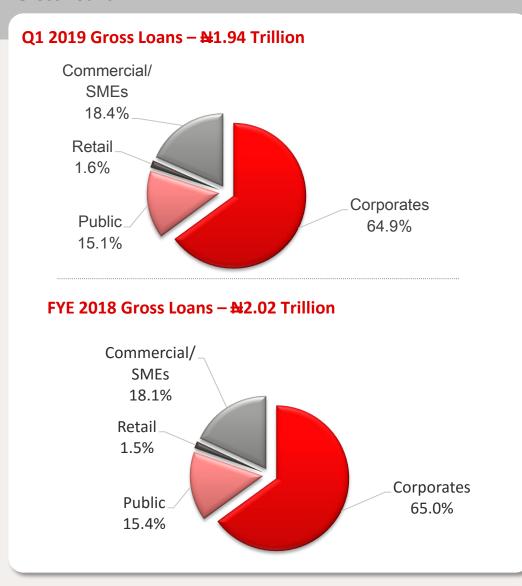
(,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Corporates	Public	Commercial/ SMEs	Retail	Consolidated
Total revenue	98,839	22,440	37,456	10,457	169,192
Total expenses	(63,283)	(17,762)	(28,342)	(5,804)	(115,191)
Profit before tax	35,556	4,678	9,114	4,653	54,001
Tax	(4,558)	(600)	(1,168)	(596)	(6,922)
Profit after tax	30,998	4,078	7,946	4,056	47,079



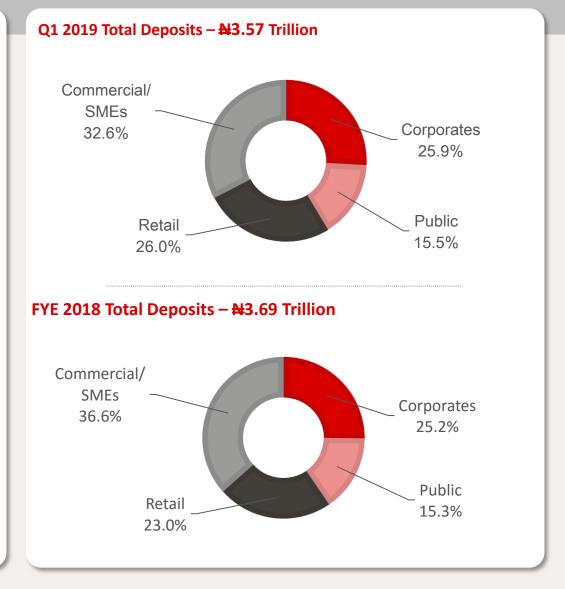
# **Loans & Deposits – By Business Segments**

 Corporate-oriented franchise, with improving retail component (percentage contributions from retail deposits and loans continues to grow).

#### **Gross Loans**

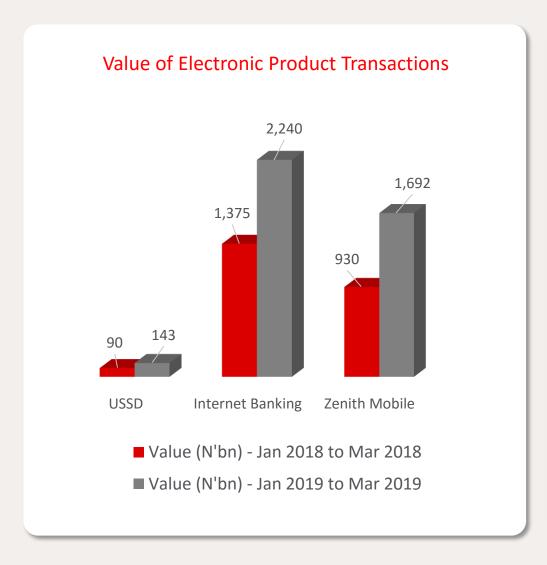


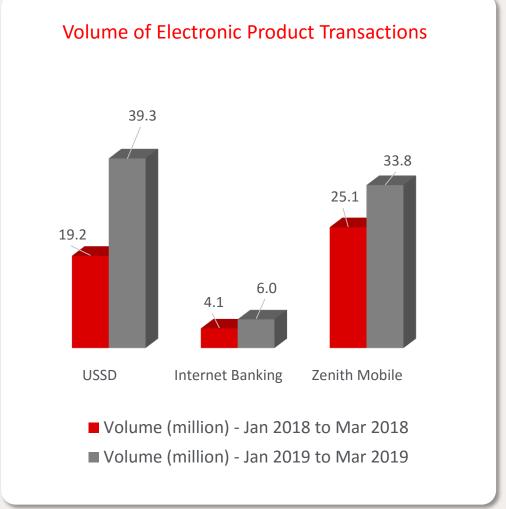
#### **Total Deposit**



# **Electronic Banking Products Performance**

• The bank recorded a remarkable growth in both value and volume of electronic product transactions, resulting in a 148% (ref.: slide 16) growth in income on electronic products





# Geographical Presence

#### Zenith Bank Plc. (Parent)

Established: 1990 Branches: 374 Q1 2019 PBT: N46 Bn Total deposits: N2,763Bn Total assets: N4,894Bn ROE: 25.0%

Staff strength: 6,067

# Gambia = Established: 2009

Zenith ownership: 99.96% Branches: 6 Q1 2019 PBT: N163M Total deposits: N10Bn Total assets: N15Bn

ROE: 13%

Staff strength: 137

#### Sierra Leone

Established: 2008 Zenith ownership: 99.99% Branches: 6

Q1 2019 PBT: N18M Total deposits: N16Bn Total assets: N22Bn

ROE: 2%

Staff strength: 267

#### UAE C

Branch of Zenith UK Established 2016 1 branch

#### Zenith Pension

Established: 2005

Branches: 2 Zenith ownership: 99% Q1 2019 PBT: N1.8Bn Custody assets: N3,693Bn Total assets: N26Bn

**ROE: 23%** 

Staff strength: 109

#### Ghana 🕏

Established: 2005 Zenith ownership: 98.07%

Branches: 27 Q1 2019 PBT: N6Bn Total deposits: N295Bn Total assets: N394Bn

**ROE: 28%** 

Staff strength: 699

#### United Kingdom

Established 2007 Zenith ownership: 100%

Branches: 2

Q1 2019 PBT: N356M Total deposits: N487Bn Total assets: N656Bn

ROE: 15%

Staff strength: 107

#### China 🚳

Representative Office Established 2011

# Zenith Nominee Established: 2018 Branches: 1 Zenith ownership: 99% Q1 2019 PBT: N115M Custody assets: N1,034Bn Total assets: N2Bn **ROE: 26%** Staff strength: 4

South Africa 🦫

Representative Office Established 2007

#### Nigeria

- Gambia
- Ghana
- Sierra Leone
- United Kingdom
- DubaiChina
- China
- South Africa

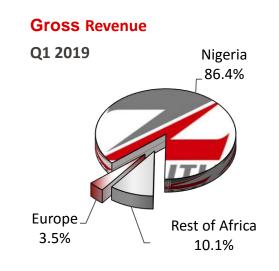


# Performance by Geography

• Subsidiaries contribution to revenue has improved YoY from 9.6% to 10.1%, improving revenue diversification by geography

# 3 Months Ended March 2019 (¥'million)

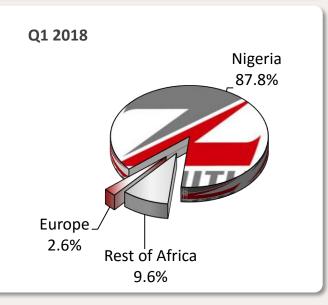
	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Europe	Eliminations	Consolidated
Total revenue	137,159	15,955	5,634	-637	158,111
Total expense	(89,602)	(9,780)	(2,073)	637	(100,818)
Profit before tax	47,557	6,175	3,561	-	57,293
Tax	(5,070)	(1,497)	(492)	-	(7,059)
Profit after tax	42,487	4,678	3,069	-	50,234



#### 3 Months Ended March 2018

(₩'million)

	Nigeria	Rest of Africa	Europe	Eliminations	Consolidated
Total revenue	149,317	16,303	4,355	-783	169,192
Total expense	(101,243)	(12,204)	(2,214)	470	(115,191)
Profit before tax	48,074	4,099	2,141	(313)	54,001
Tax	(5,204)	(1,447)	(271)	-	(6,922)
Profit after tax	42,870	2,652	1,870	(313)	47,079





# Strategy & Outlook

# Strategies for Driving our Vision

1

Compete
aggressively for
market share, but
focus on high quality
assets and top-end
relationships while
adopting cost
reduction strategies

- The Bank focuses on cost effective deposits from the retail end of the market to lend to the corporate end with emphasis on emerging business opportunities
- Encourages strong risk management and corporate governance practices

3

Develop specific solutions for each segment of our customers base

- Leveraging our capabilities and brand strength to consistently meet our clients' needs
- Developing a strong Zenith
   Bank platform to serve as an integrated financial solutions provider to our diverse customers base

2

Delivering superior service experience to all clients and customers

- The Bank accomplishes this strategy by:
- Use of robust digital platform
- Consistent focus and investment in attracting and keeping quality people
- Employing cutting edge technology
- Deploying excellent customer service

4

Treasury Management  We are taking advantage of our liquidity in Naira and foreign currencies to optimize our yields in the FX and money markets.

5

Retail

- Deepen retail market penetration by leveraging on our retail platforms.
- Continue to create innovative solutions to grow market share.

# Our Key Growth Target Sectors

#### **Driving Profitability with our Competitive Advantages**

#### **Identified Growth Sectors**

- Agriculture
- Infrastructure
- Manufacturing
- Petrochemicals
- Real Estate and Construction
- Retail
- Service Industry
- Telecoms
- Transportation and General Commerce

#### Competitive Advantage

- Strong capital and liquidity
- Strong brand
- Strong international rating
- Extensive branch network
- Robust ICT and E-bank channels
- Well motivated staff force
- Excellent customer services

# Outlook and Prospects for FY2019

- Retail Banking: The bank is committed to continue to grow its retail business. This will be achieved through the deployment of innovative products in mobile banking, internet banking and cards services. The capturing of bio-data of all bank's customers across the industry into a single data base has also boosted our retail banking business. Each customer now has a unique Biometric Verification Number (BVN) and this has helped to reduce fraud in the banking system.
- Agriculture: The Federal government's resolve to boost the agricultural sector in the country would no doubt create quite a number of opportunities in the areas of funding, job creation and indeed food security to Africa's most populous nation. Various Funding Schemes to ensure that the country's economy is diversified have been put in place. These include Commercial Agriculture Credit Scheme (CACS) that has 159 projects and Nigeria Incentive-Based Risk Sharing for Agricultural Lending (NIRSAL). Others are Seed and Fertilizer Scheme launched for banks to lend at a subsidized rate to local farmers and the value chain for the production of fertilizer. Zenith Bank has played a major role in this sector to support the various government's projects aimed at boosting our economy.
- Deposit Base: Our drive for low cost and appropriately mixed deposit base to fund our credit and money market transactions would continue in FY2018. We are committed to be a dominant player in the money market space to drive up income and profitability going forward.

- Customer Services: At the center of the Group's pursuit of excellent customer service, we would continue to focus on strengthening our relationship management in a bid to surpass stakeholders' expectations.
- Investments in Technology and Product Innovations: The Group has over the years become synonymous with the use of ICT in banking and general innovation in the Nigerian banking industry. We have renewed our commitment in ensuring that all our activities are anchored on the e-platform and providing service delivery through the electronic media to all customers irrespective of place, time and distance. Zenith group only recently scored another first, becoming the first Nigerian institution to be awarded a triple ISO certification by the British Standards International (BSI): the ISO 22301, 27001 and 20000 standards
- Risk Assets: The Group would continue to seek opportunities to grow its risk assets while maintaining a low NPL ratio and sustaining our improved coverage ratio. We would continue to strive for the optimal protection of our shareholders' wealth through the continuous review and improvement of our risk management culture and processes
- Manufacturing and Real Sector: More emphasis will be placed on manufacturing and the real sector by providing support to local production. This is expected to drive the self sustainability policy of the federal government.

# Guidance for FYE 2019

	FYE 2019 Guidance	3 Months – March 2019 Achieved	FYE 2018 Achieved
PBT	₩240.0Bn	<b>¥</b> 57.3Bn	₩231.7Bn
Effective Tax Rate	15.0%	12.3%	16.5%
PAT	₩204.0Bn	<b>₩</b> 50.2Bn	₩193.4Bn
ROAE	24.0%	25.2%	23.8%
ROAA	3.6%	3.4%	3.4%
NIM	9.1%	8.9%	8.9%
Cost of Funds	3.5%	3.0%	3.1%
Cost of Risk	1.0%	0.4%	0.9%
Cost to Income	48.0%	50.9%	49.3%
Deposit Growth	10.0%	(3.2%)	7.3%
Loan Growth	7.5%	(3.9%)	(10.5%)
Loan to Funding	55.0%	43.0%	44.2%
Capital Adequacy	25.0%	25.0%	25.0%
Liquidity Ratio	60.0%	66.7%	72.0%
NPL	4.85%	4.85%	4.98%
NPL Coverage	180.0%	155.5%	192.4%

# Thank You

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