

PRESS RELEASE

GUINNESS ANCHOR BERHAD (GAB) POSTS GROWTH IN REVENUE, PROFIT AND MARKET SHARE; RECORDS SECOND QUARTER FY10 PROFIT OF RM43 MILLION

26.4 PERCENT HIKE IN NET EARNINGS YEAR-ON-YEAR DUE TO STRONG COMPANY FUNDAMENTALS IN AN IMPROVING MARKET

PETALING JAYA, February 9th 2010:- Guinness Anchor Berhad (GAB), the leading brewer of Tiger, Guinness, Heineken and Anchor, has posted a net profit of RM43.8 million for the three months of FY10 ended December 31st 2009, which was 26.4 percent higher than for the corresponding quarter a year ago.

Second quarter revenue for FY10 was 15.1 percent higher than a year ago at RM378.1 million. Earning per share for the period grew to 14.5 sen versus 11.5 sen a year ago.

An interim dividend for FY10 has been declared at 10 sen (tax exempt) per 50 sen stock unit.

Managing Director Charles Ireland said, "GAB is in good shape. Our people are performing well, our brands are performing well and the market is improving. We expect that FY10 will exceed last year's record breaking performance".

He added, "I am very excited about the Year of The Tiger as this auspicious year comes around only once in every 12 years. We hope to see a further shift towards Tiger Beer and our other brands as a result of our efforts to create impactful consumer activity around the Year of the Tiger".

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