

ANNUAL RESULTS PRESENTATION for the year ended June 2024 – 11th October 2024



# AGENDA

# Overview & operational review

**Financial results** 

Strategy update



### Ram Ottapathu Chief Executive Officer



Minnesh Rajcoomar Chief Financial Officer



Vinod Madhavan Deputy CEO & CEO Designate

**Q&A** 





# 01 OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW Ram Ottapathu – CEO



### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



# WE HAVE BECOME A MORE DIVERSIFIED GROUP WITH SIGNIFICANT POTENTIAL TO EXPAND INTO URBAN AND RURAL AFRICA

The Group's vision is to create and accelerate shareholder value through responsible growth, acquisitions and investments

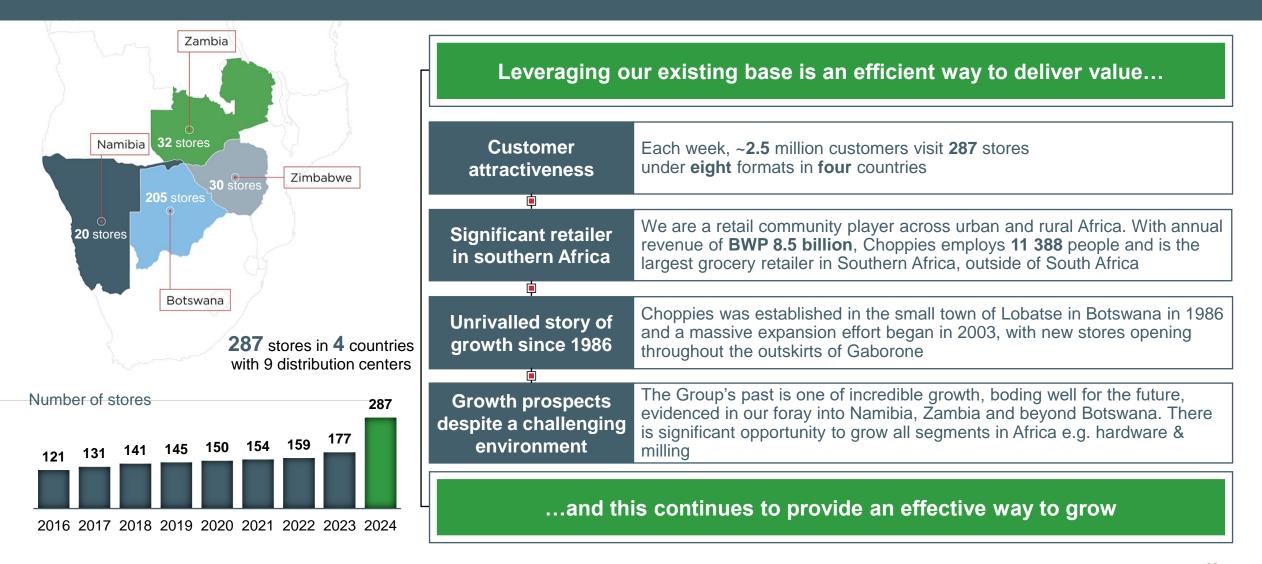
#### Kamoso benefits

- Further diversification of the Group
- Limited backward integration by acquiring the milling, tissue and water bottling businesses
- Potential to expand these businesses into the rest of Africa over time

Increased retail diversity with acquisition of liquor and hardware stores in Botswana and additional acquisition of wholesale liquor business; On grocery side – we have plans to open a cash & carry wholesale store

- Liquorama allows Choppies Botswana to provide liquor as a product in stand-alone-stores. Liquor wholesale will be ramped up over the medium-term
- Builders Mart now adds hardware to our portfolio in Botswana and we plan to expand this segment into Namibia in FY2025 and the rest of Africa in the future
- While we have store-in-store liquor shops in Namibia we will expand into stand-alone liquor stores under the "Chill" brand
- We will open our first cash & carry wholesale store in Lobatse in the first half of FY25

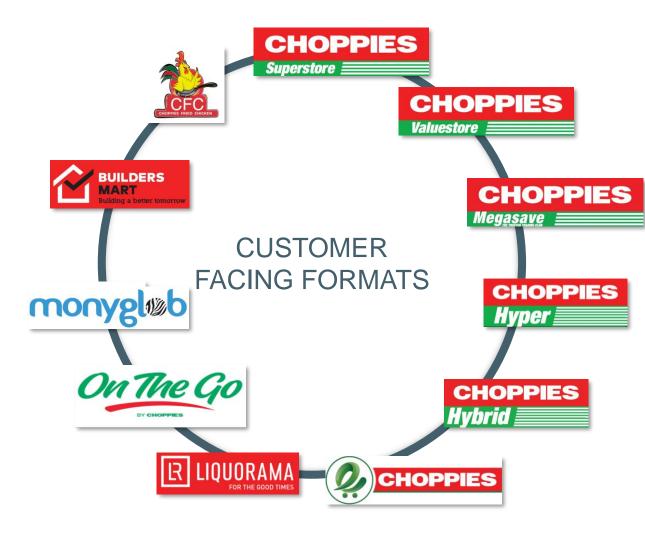
# CONTINUED FOCUS ON GROWTH WITH OVER 287 STORES ACROSS SOUTHERN AFRICA



The Group remains positive due to its footprint and experience in the urban and rural African markets

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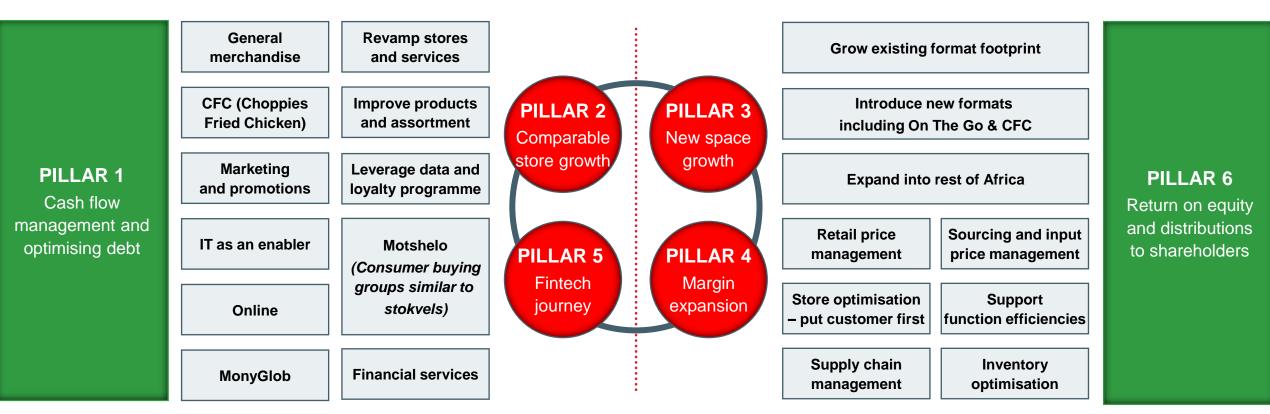
# WE SERVE A WIDE RANGE OF CUSTOMERS FROM LOW TO HIGH INCOME FAMILIES IN URBAN AND RURAL AREAS



- We take pleasure in offering customers and communities in urban and rural southern Africa great value for money and a pleasant shopping experience
- Food, groceries, tobacco, beauty, liquor, hardware and other general commodities, as well as value-added financial services, are all part of our product offering
- Since many of our locations are in small rural towns, we have a wide choice of private label Choppies items as well as well-known brand products to suit any budget
- On The Go is a 24-hour convenience store at various filling stations
- Choppies is dedicated to addressing the socio-economic difficulties that our communities confront by providing high quality, affordable food to all customers while also creating major employment and economic possibilities along the value chain
- We implemented online ordering, allowing customers to have products delivered to their homes
- We are in the process of rolling out stand alone CFC stores. CFC is our store in store fried chicken takeaway

### OUR REFRESHED STRATEGY

BASED ON SIX PILLARS – DESIGNED TO ENSURE SUSTAINABLE GROWTH IN THE LONG TERM AND VALUE CREATION FOR SHAREHOLDERS



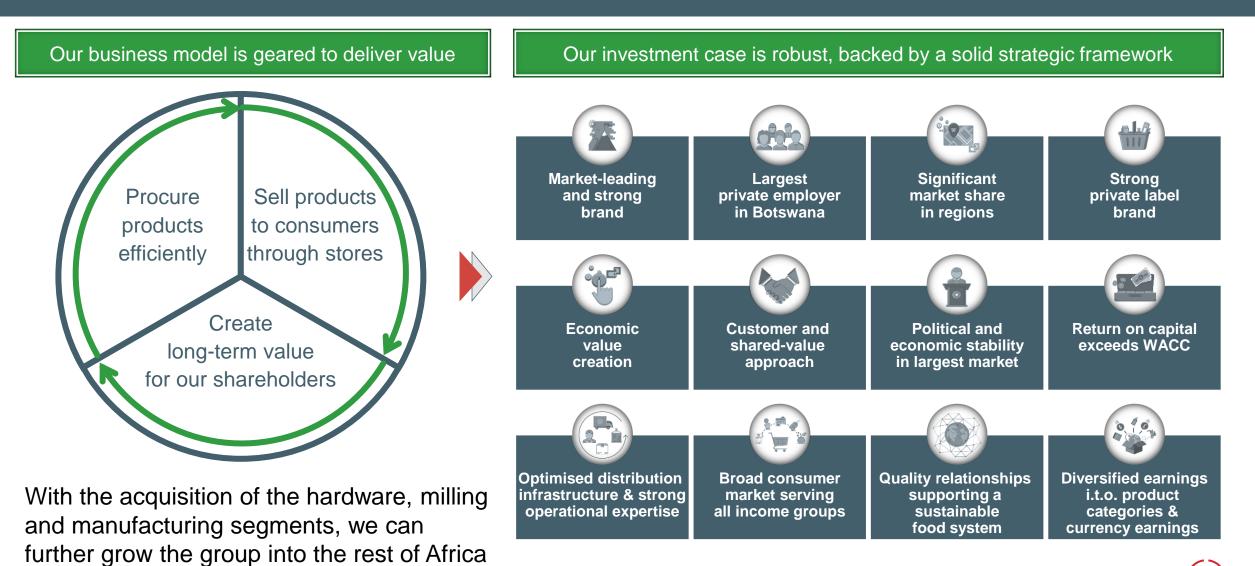
Growth pillars

Critical foundation

Leadership, staff engagement and customer engagement

### WHY INVEST IN CHOPPIES

over the next five years



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### CHOPPIES' ROBUST LOGISTICS AND SUPPLY CHAIN NETWORK DRIVES UNBEATABLE VALUE AND RELIABILITY

#### Farm-factory to shelf



- In-house **logistics excellence**: Our key competitive edge offers value for money and a diverse product range, backed by a consistent supply of fresh, quality products
- Unified control on supply chain: Encompassing logistics, supply, and maintenance chains to ensure consistently well-stocked shelves and an uninterrupted supply to stores with fresh produce
- Ownership of core assets: Complete ownership of distribution center's and vehicle fleets, fostering maximum operational efficiencies

# CHURCHES CONTRACTOR

Vehicle fleet

- Enhances brand awareness. Acts as a mobile billboard, enhancing brand visibility and reach in various regions
- Choppies' has a total of 682 commercial trucks, owned by the Group
- Key infrastructure in the sector a large fleet ensures swift supply chain response and sector leadership in distribution

#### Distribution center's



- Seven specialised distribution centers: including grocery, fruit, vegetable, and meat hubs in Gaborone and Francistown
- Expanded reach with additional centers: two in Zimbabwe and one in Zambia
- Central depot serves as the nucleus for retail stores
- Region-specific negotiated supplier agreements
- Backed by unified Group services and logistics functions

# 02 FINANCIAL RESULTS Minnesh Rajcoomar – CFO

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# CHOPPIES RESULTS REFLECT OUR CHALLENGING OPERATING ENVIRONMENT – SEGMENTAL VIEW

BWP millions	2024	2023	% growth
Sales	8,477	6,433	32%
Gross profit	1,745	1,359	28%
Other income	64	53	21%
Total income	1,809	1,412	28%
Expenses	(1,243)	(923)	35%
Adjusted EBITDA	566	489	16%
Foreign exchange (losses)/gains on lease liability	(17)	(31)	
Profit on sale of subsidiary	16	Ó	
Profit/(loss) on disposal of plant and equipment	3	4	
Movement in credit loss allowances	(1)	(6)	
Zimbabwean legacy debt receipts net	55	11	
EBITDA	622	467	33%
Depreciation	(286)	(193)	
Impairement of goodwill	<b>(15)</b>	-	
EBIT as reported	321	274	17%

# CHOPPIES' RESULTS REFLECT OUR CHALLENGING OPERATING ENVIRONMENT – IMPACT OF KAMOSO & ZIMBABWE

FY 2024	As	s reported			reported – ding Kamo			reported – ling Zimba		excludi	eported ng Kamo mbabwe	oso &
BWP millions	Jun 24	Jun 2023	% growth	Jun 24	Jun 2023	% growth	Jun 24	Jun 2023	% growth	Jun 24	Jun 2023	% growth
Revenue	8,541	6,486	32%	7,252	6,486	12%	8,000	6,083	32%	6,711	6,083	10%
Sales	8,477	6,433	32%	7,192	6,433	12%	7,939	6,032	32%	6,654	6,032	10%
EBIT	321	274	17%	294	274	7%	335	290	16%	308	290	6%
Profit before tax	207	165	25%	194	165	18%	229	182	26%	215	182	18%
Profit after tax - continuing operations	164	150	9%	153	150	2%	195	158	23%	184	158	16%
Profit after tax - discounted operations	(28)	-	0%	-	-	-%	(28)	-	0%	-	-	0%
Profit after tax - total operations	136	150	(9%)	153	150	2%	167	158	6%	184	158	16%
Adjusted EBIT	280	245	14%	269	245	10%	334	252	33%	323	252	28%
EBITDA	622	467	33%	544	467	16%	597	479	25%	519	479	8%
Adjusted EBITDA	566	489	16%	504	489	3%	596	492	21%	534	492	9%
EPS thebe – continuing	8.8	10.9	(19%)									
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Net cash generated from operating activities	679	484	40%									
Free cash flow	220	94	134%									

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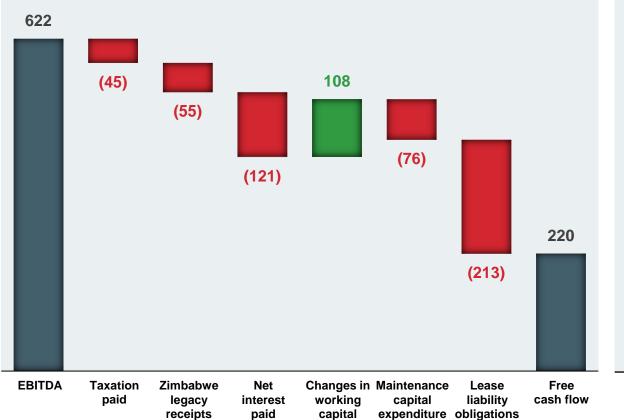
		EBIT			Profit after tax			
BWP millions	2024	2023	% growth	Change	2024	2023	% growth	Change
Group	321	274	17%	47	164	150	9%	14
Botswana	293	258	14%	35	174	126	38%	48
Namibia	(14)	(2)		(12)	(24)	(8)		(16)
Zambia	27	34	(21%)	(7)	35	40	(13%)	(5)
Zimbabwe	(14)	(16)		2	(31)	(8)		(23)
Liquorama	14	-		14	6	-		6
Kamoso Builders Mart	(24)	-		(24)	(27)	-		(27)
Rest of Kamoso	39	-		39	31	-		31

### FREE CASH FLOW

Free cash flow is cash generated after accounting for cash outflows to support operations and maintain capital assets

#### Free cash flow FY2024

#### **BWP** millions

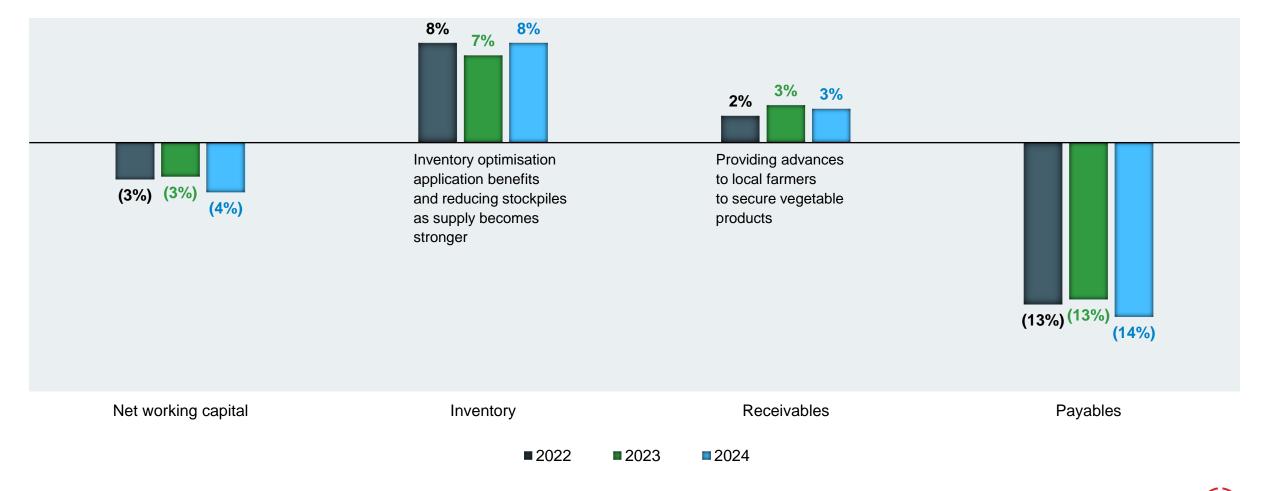


#### Free cash flow FY2023 BWP millions



### OUR MANAGEMENT OF WORKING CAPITAL IS ARGUABLY THE BEST AMONGST OUR PEERS!

#### Working capital % to sales



# DEBT PROFILE

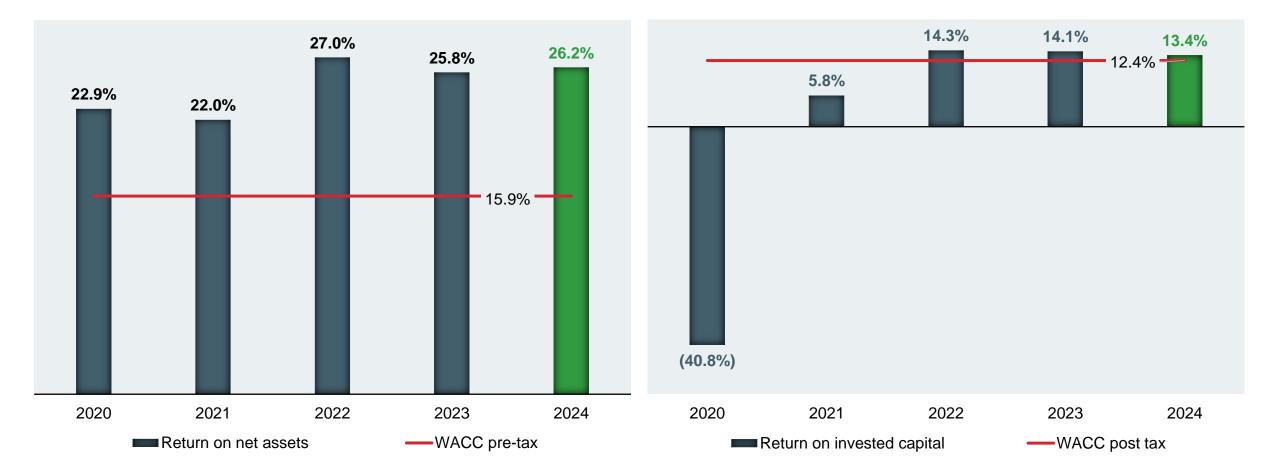
The Group's total net non-IFRS 16 **debt reduced from last year's BWP 289 million to BWP 287 million this year**, despite taking on the Kamoso net non-IFRS 16 debt of BWP 190 million

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BWP millions	Jun 24	Jun 24	Jun 24	Jun 23
Net debt analysis				
Non-IFRS 16 debt				
Borrowings	216	80	296	369
Shareholders loans (in Kamoso)	-	51	51	_
Instalment sale leases	65	_	65	63
Bank overdrafts	54	27	81	79
Gross debt	335	158	493	511
Cash on hand	(181)	(25)	(206)	(222)
Net non-IFRS 16 debt	154	133	287	289
IFRS 16 debt	797	115	912	765
Total debt	952	247	1,199	1 054
EBITDA	546	76	622	469
Adjusted EBITDA	506	60	566	490
Net non-IFRS 16 debt to EBITDA	0.3	1.8	0.5	0.6
Net non-IFRS 16 debt to adjusted EBITDA	0.3	2.2	0.5	0.6
Total Debt to EBITDA	1.7	3.3	1.9	2.2
Total Debt to adjusted EBITDA	1.9	4.1	2.1	2.2

The shareholders' loans in Kamoso are from the Botswana Development Corporation (BWP 43 million) and the Choppies CEO (BWP 8 million) These loans were made to Kamoso before the acquisition and are entirely subordinated in favour of the Kamoso debt

# MANAGEMENT IS FOCUSED ON ENSURING SUSTAINABLE RETURN ON NET ASSETS AND INVESTED CAPITAL

Return on net assets (%)



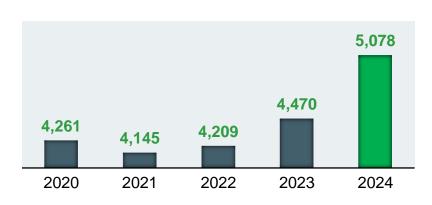
Return on invested capital (%)

**Population** 2.6 million **BOTSWANA - OUR LARGEST COUNTRY OF OPERATION - HAS SOME OF** THE MOST ATTRACTIVE FUNDAMENTALS ON THE AFRICAN CONTINENT

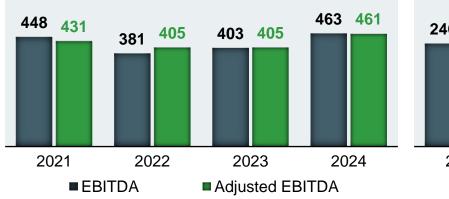
**GDP** per capita \$7 737.0

	2021	2022	2023	2024
GDP growth (%)	11.8	5.9	3.7	4.2
Inflation (yearly average, %)	6.7	12.2	5.8	5.2
Budget balance (% GDP)	(2.4)		(2.0)	(1.0)
Current account balance (% GDP)	(1.3)	3.0	1.0	1.0
Public debt (% GDP)	18.7	18.0	19.0	18.0

#### **Sales BWP millions**



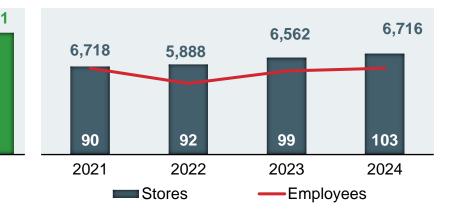
#### **EBITDA BWP millions**



#### **EBIT BWP** millions



#### **Stores and employees**



# REFORMS IN ZAMBIA WILL PROVIDE A BASE FOR GROWTH INTO THE FUTURE

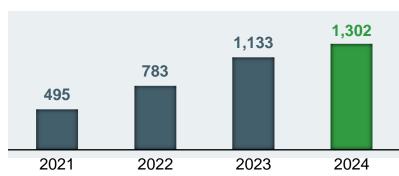
Population 20 million

GDP per capita \$1 485.8





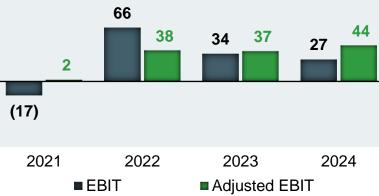
#### Sales BWP millions



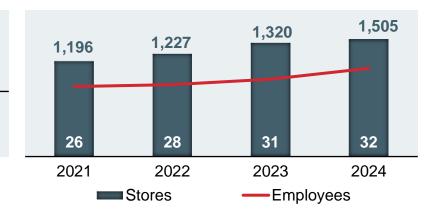
#### **EBITDA BWP millions**



#### **EBIT BWP millions**



#### **Stores and employees**



# NAMIBIA IS A JURISDICTION WITH OPPORTUNITY FOR GROWTH IN THE LONG-TERM

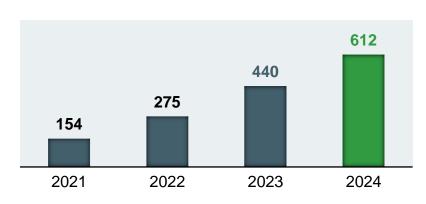
**Population** 2.6 million

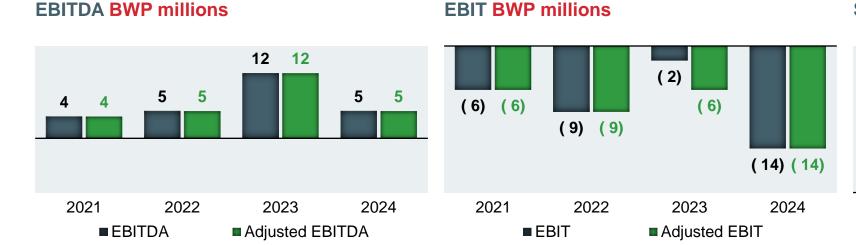
GDP per

capita \$4 854.4

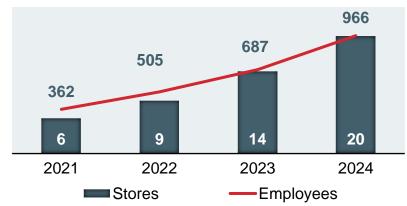
	2021	2022	2023	2024
GDP growth (%)	3.5	4.6	3.0	3.0
Inflation (yearly average, %)	3.6	6.1	5.5	5.0
Budget balance (% GDP)	(8.7)	(5.2)	(4.0)	(4.0)
Current account balance (% GDP)	(9.6)	(12.3)	(7.0)	(6.0)
Public debt (% GDP)	71.9	69.8	69.0	68.0

#### **Sales BWP millions**





#### **Stores and employees**



# ZIMBABWE – THE GROUP IS WEIGHING VARIOUS OPTIONS IN ZIMBABWE GIVEN THE STRESS IT IS PLACING ON OUR OVERALL PERFORMANCE

BWP millions	2023	2024
Sales	403	541
EBITDA	(12)	25
Adjusted EBITDA	(3)	(30)
EBIT	(16)	(14)
Adjusted EBIT	(7)	(54)
Number of stores	35	30
Number of employees	1 389	1 051

The economic situation in Zimbabwe continues to be a threat to the Choppies Zimbabwe segment. The Group is weighing various options in Zimbabwe given the stress it is placing on our overall performance. There are sufficient cash reserves to settle all liabilities for which Choppies Enterprises has provided guarantees. We do not expect to provide any material cash support to the Zimbabwean segment from Botswana or any other segment

After the year end, the Government of Zimbabwe ended the obligated payment of blocked funds with a lump sum payment of US\$ 1.8 million

### KAMOSO LIQUORAMA BOTSWANA

A year of consolidation – we have strengthened the middle and senior management teams



BWP millions	2023	2024
Sales	776	854
EBITDA	48	41
Adjusted EBITDA	48	41
EBIT	24	9
Adjusted EBIT	24	9
Number of stores	71	75
Number of employees	468	498

The Kamoso Liquor Botswana segment performance was hampered by stockouts and stiff competition. Over the last six months to September, we have managed availability better and are more precise in our promotional activity. In addition, we have strengthened the middle and senior management teams

- In Botswana, we believe we can expand the brand from 74 to 100 stores in the medium term, essentially matching with the number of Choppies grocery stores
- In Botswana we can also expand the liquor wholesale business from 1 to 5 stores in the medium term

### KAMOSO BUILDERS MART BOTSWANA

Due to poor availability and loss of customers in the three years leading to the acquisition

Lack of cashflow and credit lines hampered procurement of the right inventory over the last three years

BWP millions	2023	2024
Sales	140	177
EBITDA	(27)	(11)
Adjusted EBITDA	(27)	(11)
EBIT	(30)	(24)
Adjusted EBIT	(30)	(24)
Number of stores	27	27
Number of employees	340	345

The hardware business suffered a loss due to poor stock availability and loss of customers in the three years leading to the acquisition. Lack of cash flow and credit lines hampered procurement of the right inventory over the last three years. In the last six months to September, sales have grown more than 40% while gross profit has grown more than 30%. Footfall was up 8.9% for the financial year and 12.7% for the last six months to September 2024

- In Botswana, we believe we can expand the brand from 27 to 50 stores in the medium term
- We plan to open hardware stores under the Builders Mart brand in Namibia



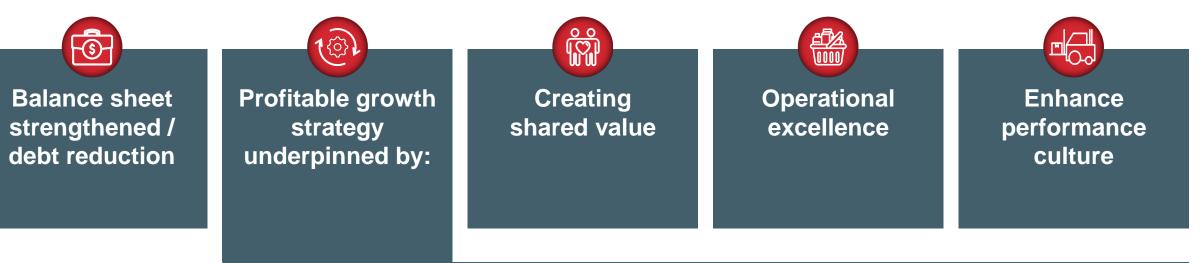
# **03** STRATEGY UPDATE Vinod Madhavan – Deputy CEO & CEO Designate

CHOPPIES



# OUR STRATEGY IS FOCUSSED ON DELIVERING VALUE IN THE LONG-TERM

The Group's new strategy is established around **five strategic pillars** which are designed to ensure sustainable growth in the long-term and value creation for shareholders



- Responsible, slow and managed expansion of our diversified portfolio of grocery stores, liquor stores, hardware stores, milling and manufacturing segments
- Expand the store footprint in profitable regions in which the group operates
- Grow the existing traditional business of mainly groceries
- Expand the in-store offering by focusing on higher margin fresh and value-added products
- Continue to expand the quasi banking/financial and other services (the last three strategies will form the cornerstone of the group's intention to make the Choppies business a one-stopshop for customers)

# WE HAVE SIGNIFICANT GROWTH POTENTIAL THROUGH OUR NEW FORMAT STORES

There is significant opportunity to grow Choppies in the existing four countries and beyond by introducing new formats including specialty stores:-

- Homeware
- CFC
- Hardware
- Pet store (excluding live pets)

- Cash & Carry wholesale
- Convenience store at filling stations - On The Go
- Baby
- Liquor Chill or Liquorama



- Technology
- Premium food store
- Outdoor/DIY/Automotive
- Gardening

#### WHY EXTEND CHOPPIES BRAND INTO SPECIALITY STORES & OTHER FORMATS?

Increased reach	Lower cost base	Differentiation
To reach a wider customer base by offering new products, more services and store formats – in both urban and rural Africa	Opportunity for smaller stores with less operational cost and higher operating profit	Enables bigger scale for improved purchasing power, and brings new customers that previously did not shop within the group

We strive to become a financial supermarket for African urban and rural communities, offering more products and services to these communities.

### HEADWINDS

#### Headwinds

We expect continued uncertainty in our business and the Southern African economy due to the duration and intensity of global credit conditions, military conflicts in the Middle East and Ukraine, slower economic growth, surging prices for energy and commodities, renewed supply-chain disruption, financial market volatility, volatility in employment trends and consumer confidence, all of which may impact our results

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Despite the headwinds the group remains optimistic due to its footprint and experience in the urban and rural African market

### OUR DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION JOURNEY

- Our digital transformation journey will be delivered under the Quantum Retail programme, aimed at positioning technology as the fifth factor of production
- Our vision is to transition into a paperless retail organisation, fully leveraging data, offering an omnichannel customer experience, digitised financial services using ABCDI technologies and fostering a culture change amongst our employees
- Slimstock, our inventory optimisation application, is now fully functional in Botswana and will be operational in Namibia and Zambia during this year

#### Scaling apps

- Motopi-Farmers' app aimed at helping SMME farmers to discover buyers for their produce
- Suppliers' portal offering greater flexibility and improving efficiency for our suppliers
- Commercialising Payzana our mobile wallet in Botswana allowing money transfers, airtime, electricity & DSTV and payments at Choppies stores, all at zero friction to the customer





