

China Mengniu Dairy Company Limited (2319.HK)

### 2023 Annual Results



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### **Management Team**

| Lu Minfang   | Vice Chairman & Executive Director           |
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| Gao Fei      | Chief Executive Officer & Executive Director |
| Wang Yan     | Vice President & Executive Director          |
| Zhang Ping   | Chief Financial Officer                      |
| Luo Yan      | Vice President                               |
| Li Pengcheng | Vice President                               |
| Chen Yiyi    | Vice President                               |
| Chris Kwok   | Company Secretary                            |





| RMB million   | 2022   | 2023   | YoY     |
|---|--------|--------|---------|
| Revenue   | 92,593 | 98,624 | 6.5%    |
| Gross Profit  | 32,690 | 36,640 | 12.1%   |
| Gross Margin  | 35.3%  | 37.2%  | +1.9ppt |
| Operating Profit <sup>(1)</sup>                         | 5,423  | 6,171  | 13.8%   |
| Operating Margin  | 5.9%   | 6.3%   | +0.4ppt |
| EBITDA  | 9,120  | 9,507  | 4.2%    |
| EBITDA Margin   | 9.9%   | 9.6%   | -0.3ppt |
| Profit Attributable to Owners of the Company            | 5,303  | 4,809  | -9.3%   |
| Net Profit Margin Attributable to Owners of the Company | 5.7%   | 4.9%   | -0.8ppt |
| Basic EPS (RMB)   | 1.342  | 1.220  | -9.1%   |

Note: (1) Operating profit = Gross profit - Selling and distribution expenses, Administrative expenses, Educational surcharges, City construction tax, and other taxes.



### Revenue Breakdown by Segments

| RMB million  | 2022   | 2023   | YoY    | 2023<br>% of Revenue | YoY     |
|--------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------|---------|
| Liquid Milk  | 78,269 | 82,071 | 4.9%   | 83.2%                | -1.3ppt |
| Ice Cream    | 5,652  | 6,026  | 6.6%   | 6.1%                 | +0.0ppt |
| Milk Formula | 3,862  | 3,802  | -1.6%  | 3.9%                 | -0.3ppt |
| Cheese (1)   | 1,321  | 4,357  | 229.8% | 4.4%                 | +3.0ppt |
| Others       | 3,489  | 2,368  | -32.1% | 2.4%                 | -1.4ppt |
| Total        | 92,593 | 98,624 | 6.5%   | 100.0%               | /       |

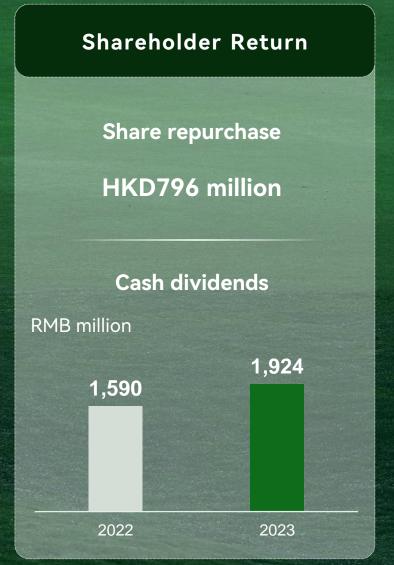
Note: (1) Milkground is consolidated from December 2022 onwards.



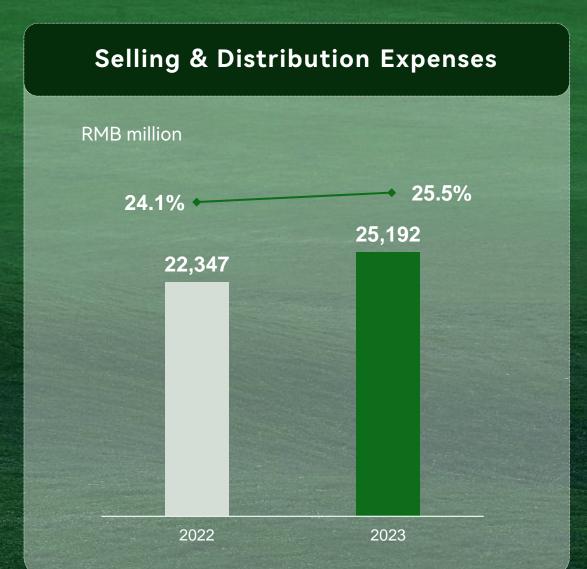
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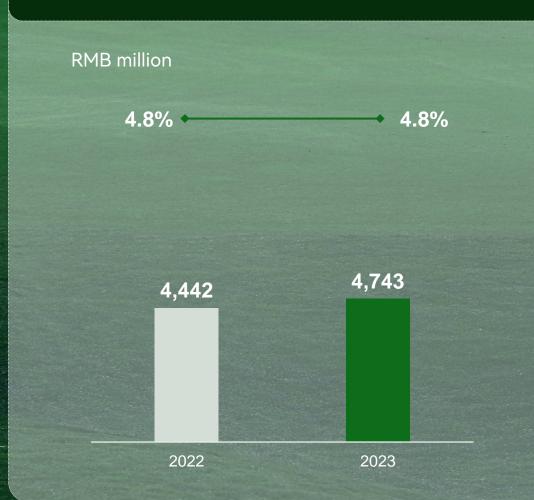






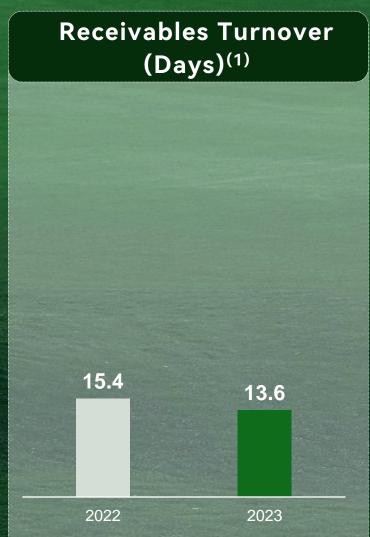


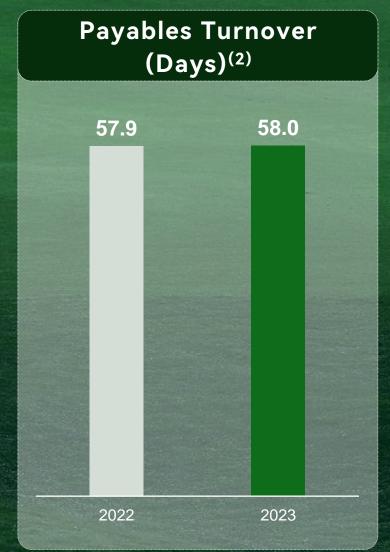




### Operational Efficiency Indicators







- (1) Receivables Turnover = (Average Balance of Trade and Bills Receivables / Revenue) x Number of Days
- (2) Payables Turnover = (Average Balance of Trade and Bills Payables / Cost of Sales) x Number of Days





# Continuously led the room temperature liquid milk industry; Digitalized innovation drove high-quality growth



- Room temperature liquid milk led industry growth and continuously grew its market share
- The parent brand surpassed industry growth. High-end milk gained larger market share and organic series saw double-digit growth. Milk beverages grew faster than the industry, boosting market share.
- Category innovation: Milk Deluxe desert organic milk defined premium quality. Lactose-free products offered functional nutrition and broadened the base of milk consumers. Fruit Milk Drinks catered to outdoor leisure consumption.
- Channel: Boost omni-channel efficiency through online-offline integration and expedite rural expansion with better township reach
- Digital Transformation: Accelerate to increase new quality productivity and enhance member experience through precise engagement





### Restored category value; Chilled product business achieved high-quality growth



- Despite market trends indicating a decline in sales for the category, Mengniu's chilled yogurt products achieved positive growth, maintaining a market share lead for 19 years and expanding the competitive advantage
- Insight into consumer demands, restoring category value, driving growth through innovation
- Mengniu, "YO!FINE DIARY," and "Champion" strengthened their brand and category recognition in different yogurt segments
- Tailored for the Chinese population, "Yoyi C" drives growth in the probiotics drink segment with "A Journey of Probiotics Discovery"
- RTM digital transformation drove growth across all channels
- Enhancing new quality productivity to achieve growth in volume and profit





# Fresh milk business sustained growth in volume and profit; "Shiny Meadow" solidified its lead in the high-end fresh milk segment



- The fresh milk business continued to maintain steady growth, with volume and profit increasing three years in a row
- "Shiny Meadow" ranked No. 1 in brand strength and high-end brand recognition. High-end product lines like "4.0 Fresh Milk" and "British 4.0 Fresh Jersey Milk" drove rapid growth
- "Shiny Meadow" has been intensely cultivating the "light fresh milk" segment, building connections with young consumers through "light" charity initiatives, while achieving sales growth of more than 200%
- "Shiny Meadow" maintained its top position in terms of market share across online platforms for three years in a row, with offline core channels like Walmart, Sam's Club, and Yonghui maintaining the No. 1 market share
- Building capabilities in channel digitalization to enhance efficiency and connections with consumers





# Ice cream business actively achieved innovative breakthroughs; "Aice" accelerated its expansion in Southeast Asia

- Actively promote innovation in the product portfolio to transcend seasonal limitations and expand consumption scenarios
- Focus on point-of-sale channel expansion and market distribution, and strengthen development of products tailored for different channels
- "Aice" achieved high revenue and profit growth, ranking first in terms of market share in Indonesia, and third in the Philippines with above-expected growth, while actively expanding into markets such as Vietnam and Thailand
- Accelerating sales with a rich product mix and diverse channels in concert with Olympics marketing





- "Bellamy's" seized the opportunities that arose from a recovery in the cross-border channel, strengthened brand operations, price management, channel execution, and supply-chain efficiency to drive sales growth of more than 40%
- Seizing opportunities from new national standards, strengthening new formula competitiveness: The "Reeborne" brand launched the "Enzhi" series, the first product with MLCT structured lipids, which was the leader in establishing HMOs standards
- Grasping the opportunities presented by an aging population, "Yourui" focused on creating exclusive-formula products tailored for middle-aged and elderly consumers
- Completion of "Dumex" disposal and "Yashili" privatization, strengthening organization and brand consolidation, refining product portfolio





### Cheese business has continuously expanded market share; Enhanced To-B and To-C development



- The cheese industry in China is still in its infancy, with a long-term development outlook that is also broad
- "Milkground" maintained Its No.1 position in terms of market share, with top brands accelerating industry concentration
- Product portfolio expands from children's snacks to adult snacks, baking, beverages, catering and other sub-markets, reinforcing dual To-B and To-C development







#### Advancing the "GREEN" Development Strategy





On track to achieve our dual-carbon, water management, and zero-deforestation goals



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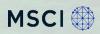
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Launch of low-carbon and carbon-neutral products





Industry leader Upgraded from A to AA



No. 1 among Chinese companies



Top 10% in the global food industry



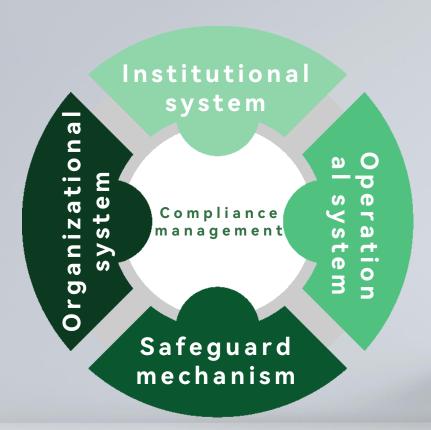
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### China's Dairy Industry: Entering the Second-Half Phase of Development

| □ Stable growth: China's dairy industry is entering into a period of stable growth.  |            |
|--|------------|
| Oversupply of raw milk:<br>Oversupply of raw milk in the current period is bringing in industry-wide challenges.   |            |
| □ Channel restructuring:  Both online and offline retail channels are facing restructuring and there is significant room for grant To-B channels and new consumption scenarios.                            | growth in  |
|  |            |
| ☐ The resilience of demand:  Pure milk consumption resilience remains strong. However, consumer demands for diversified, for and precise nutrition are leading to structural challenges and opportunities. | unctional, |
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### Firmly Advancing the "FIRST" Strategy With the "1-3-2" Code for High-Quality Growth



1 Core

Creating value

3 Focuses

R&D innovation, brand building and digitalization

2 Accelerations

Channel optimization and new business development

#### 1 Core: Creating value with quality growth



Leading on sustainable development across the entire industry value chain

Offering dairy products that are nutritious, healthy, and tasty

Delivering higher returns to shareholders

### Focusing on R&D Innovation to Meet Diverse Consumer Needs









Milk Science



Nutrition Science



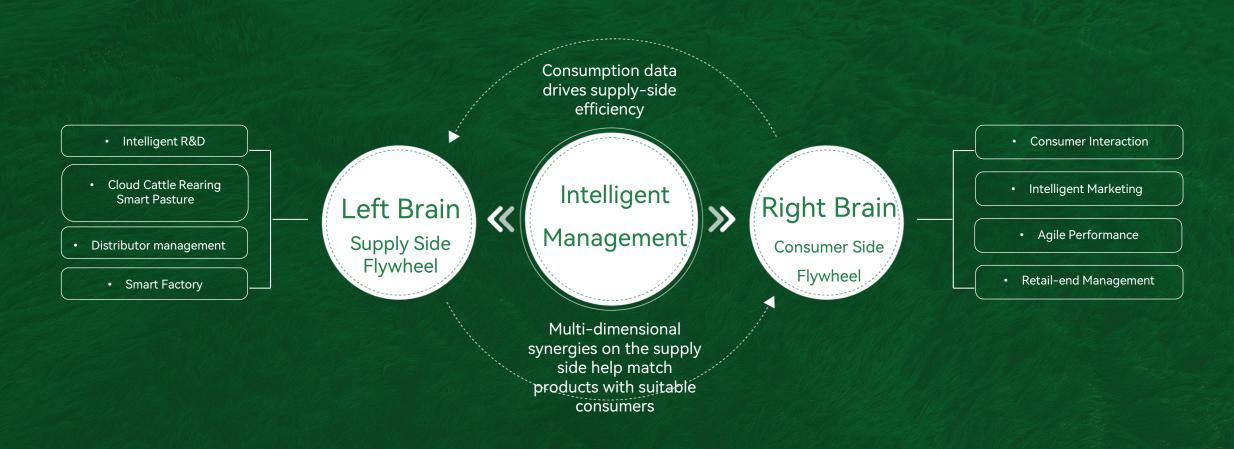
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## Concentrating on brand-building to fully activate brand competitiveness



Nutrition in Every Droplet, Blossom in Every Living

#### • Focusing on digitalization to forge new quality productivity



Continuously drive innovation and transformation in business models, management operations, and consumer communication.

#### Accelerate channel optimization

- Continue to consolidate the distributor-centric and subsidiary-direct sales model
- Advance the KA vertical pilot program and strengthen sales efficiency for top retail clients
- Penetrate rural areas with digital tools and sustain rural market expansion and control
- Embrace new retail channels and scenarios such as O2O, community service, and live-streaming sales and focus on fulfilment capability and efficiency
- Speed up the expansion in To-B channels and specialized dairy products

#### **Key Focuses for 2024:**

- Further enhance the market coverage breadth and depth of room temperature liquid milk
- Consolidate the leading position of room temperature liquid milk in new retail channels
- Optimize product structure to achieve breakthroughs in chilled yogurt sales through online channels
- Drive marketing innovation to solidify our leading position in fresh milk in new retail channels

In-depth distribution capabilities

Omni-channel control capabilities

Channel operation efficiency



#### Accelerate the Development of New Businesses



#### Key Focuses for 2024 and the Mid-term:

- Concentrate on essential research in sports nutrition and the development of sports-nutrition food products
- Focus on professional sports marketing to build brand influence among the community of sports enthusiasts.
- Expand DTC channels and actively develop offline channels; become the first liquid protein product offered at Sam's Club





#### **Biotechnological Innovation** Achievements in HMO: Accelerating Commercialization



- The first Chinese HMO raw material enterprise approved by the National Health Commission
- The first Chinese HMO raw material enterprise to pass the U.S. Self-GRAS certification
- The first Chinese HMO raw material enterprise to enter the U.S. FDA GRAS and the EU Novel Food Certification Approval Process
- Received the first production license
- Commercialized applications:













