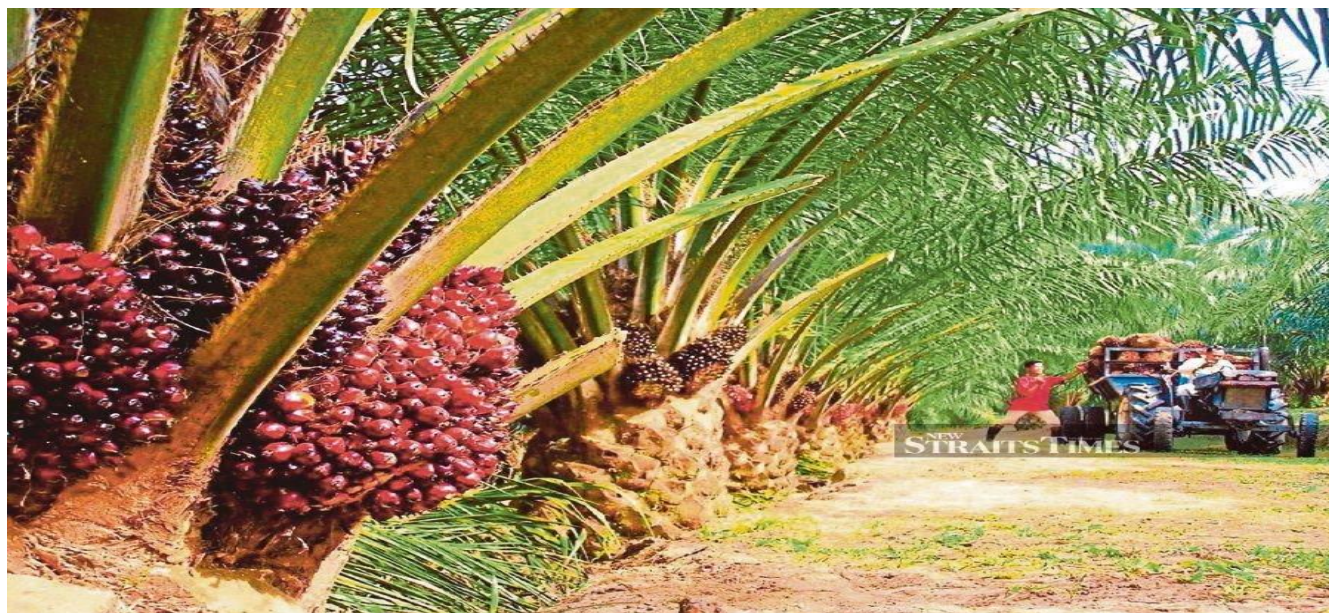


## TH Plantations returns to the black in FY20



KUALA LUMPUR: TH Plantations Bhd (THP) has recorded a net profit of RM13.99 million for the full financial year ended December 31, 2020 (FY20) from a net loss of RM226.49 million registered in the FY19.

In a statement today, THP said the group's strategic recovery plan remains in progress which will enable the group to be in a better financial position once completed. Revenue during the same period increased 12.4 per cent to RM555.09 million from RM493.65 million.

For the fourth quarter (Q4), THP registered a net profit of RM1.59 million versus a net loss of RM167.65 million, while its revenue increased 6.1 per cent to RM144.55 million from RM136.25 million. THP said Q4 profit was mainly attributable to the higher average realised price for palm products.

The group said moving forward, it anticipated the current market prices for palm products will remain favourable throughout the next quarter due to low production, labour shortages as well as low inventory level of palm oil in Malaysia.

"The group's overall positive financial performance for the financial year ended December 31, 2020 was largely due to the strong prices of palm products and the on-going progress of our Strategic Recovery Plan.

"Overall production for the industry in 2020 was lower by 3.6 per cent in comparison to 2019 as the result of non-optimal application of fertilisers, continuous labour shortages and unfavourable weather conditions.

"The group expects the palm oil prices to remain favourable for the medium term given the above conditions and the overall low inventory level in Malaysia at the end of 2020," it said.