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## Datapulse Technology Reports Higher Profit of \$3.9 Million for 1Q FY2016

**Singapore, 23 November 2015** – Mainboard listed Datapulse Technology Limited, a leading total solution provider of CD, DVD and Blu Ray Discs services in the Asia Pacific region, reported its first quarter results for the financial year 2016.

For 1Q FY2016, the Group registered 31.6% increase in revenue from \$9.5 million to \$12.6 million. The increase in revenue was attributed mainly to higher level of business activities and new product launches by customers, leading to higher sales of Blu-Ray media storage products and services and Cards printing products and services, partially offsetted by weaker sales for DVD media storage products and services.

Other income was higher due to higher interest income.

Total operating expenses increased by 9.3% from \$8.0 million in 1Q FY2015 to \$8.8 million in 1Q FY2016 mainly due to higher cost of raw materials usage. The increase in cost of raw materials usage was in tandem with the higher revenue during 1Q FY2016. Depreciation was lower due to more assets becoming fully depreciated and there were minimal property, plant and equipment investments. The reduction in other operating expenses was attributed mainly to the absence of impairment losses made on club memberships and cost management measures undertaken by the Group.

Finance costs, which were related to the Taiwan operation, were higher due to higher gearing.

The income tax expense recorded by the Group relates to the Taiwan operation. The Company did not recognize any income tax expense despite registering pre-tax profit of \$3.9 million as it currently has sufficient tax allowances to offset its taxable income for 1Q FY2016.

As a result of the above, the Group's net profit increased by 150.5% from \$1.5 million in 1Q FY2015 to \$3.9 million in 1Q FY2016.

Earnings per share were 0.59 cents for 1Q FY2016 and 0.26 cents for 1Q FY2015. The Group's net asset value per share stood at 7.84 cents as at 31 October 2015 compared to 7.25 cents as at 31 July 2015, an increase of 8.1%.

The Group's financial position remained strong with a net cash position of \$28.5 million as at 31 October 2015 and it continued to generate positive operating cash flows of \$2.7 million during 1Q FY2016.

In November 2015, a portion of the proceeds raised from the issuance of shares to Lian Beng Group Ltd in FY2015, amounting to approximately S\$2.82 million had been remitted to the Group's associate, Goldprime Realty Pte Ltd. The funds are intended to be used for a property development project in Australia.

Revenue for 1Q FY2016 is encouraging for sales of Blu-Ray media storage products and Cards printing products whilst DVD media products and services continue to face challenges.

The Group will continue to focus on increasing its revenue base through an expansion of its customer base and providing more value added services to its customers and controlling its operating costs by improving yield and production efficiencies. It will also be keeping a close tab on the technological and business developments within the media storage industry and explore other investment and business opportunities.

At the same time, the Group will actively re-define its strategies and operating processes, and deploy its resources to effectively keeping tab with the changes in its operating environment.

## **About Datapulse Technology Limited**

Datapulse Technology Limited was incorporated in Singapore on 28 July 1980 and has been listed on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange since 1 March 1994.

Datapulse Technology Limited is a leading producer of digital storage media for content distribution in the Asia Pacific region, specialising in fast and secure delivery solutions, to a broad range of customers in the computer software, computer hardware, gaming, publishing, multimedia application and consumer electronics industry.

This news release is to be read in conjunction with the full set of financial results posted by the Company today in SGXNET.