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THAILAND / DIVERSIFIED FINANCIALS

HOLD

TARGET PRICE THB5.50 CLOSE THB5.50 UP/DOWNSIDE +0.0% TP vs CONSENSUS -1.5%

Muted catalysts in the short term

- Feeble 2Q22 NP of THB19m due to NPLs and OPEX.
- Bottomed in 2Q22, but slow recovery ahead in 3Q22, in our view.
- Maintain HOLD call as we see muted catalysts for driving its performance and share price in the short term.

NPLs and OPEX led to a weak 2Q22 performance

MICRO delivered a feeble net profit in 2Q22 at THB19m (-63% y-y, -64% q-q), which was lower than our expectation of THB27m due to a higher expected credit loss (ECL). The weak performance came from 1) a significant increase in its ECL by 99% y-y, 96% q-q, following a substantial increase in its NPLs by 31% q-q, implying an NPL ratio of 4.58% from 3.85% in 1Q22; and 2) a noticeable rise in its OPEX by 68% y-y, 27% q-q due mainly to its branch expansion, the setting up of a new subsidiary, Micro Plus Leasing, and debt collection expenses. Such negative factors were able to completely drown out its strong operating income growth of 26% y-y, 6% q-q following solid loan growth. MICRO's loan volume surged 45% y-y, 10% q-q due to higher demand for used trucks and from gaining more market share from local competitors. Its 1H22 net profit accounts for 37% of our 2022 net profit forecast.

High energy prices, rising inflation led to asset deterioration

Due to its retail segment orientation, we think MICRO faces more negative impacts from high energy prices and high inflation as MICRO's debtors must wait three to six months before they can pass the higher energy cost burden on to their clients. We think this is slowing down the ability of MICRO's debtors to repay their debts. Thus, its NPLs went up substantially in 2Q22. Also, the number of seized vehicles rose to 160 units in the second quarter.

Slow recovery expected in 3Q22

We believe MICRO's earnings bottomed out in 2Q22 and expect that its 3Q22 performance should reflect a slow recovery, with net profit bouncing back minimally q-q from a lower ECL as asset quality problems slightly improve q-q due to seasonality and lower energy prices. However, we think its net profit should continue to fall y-y, dragged down by higher y-y ECL, a rise in its OPEX from setting up its subsidiary Micro Plus Leasing and higher debt collection expenses.

Maintain HOLD with a 2023 GGM-based TP of THB5.5

We maintain our HOLD call on MICRO with an unchanged 2023 TP of THB5.5. We see muted catalysts for driving its performance and share price in the short term. We think its performance should get back on track in 1Q23. At that time, we might put it back in our basket.

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2021	2022E	2023E	2024E
Operating profit	227	235	327	434
Net profit	187	188	262	347
EPS (THB)	0.20	0.20	0.28	0.37
vs Consensus (%)	-	1.5	(5.7)	49.8
Core net profit	187	188	262	347
Core EPS (THB)	0.20	0.20	0.28	0.37
EPS growth (%)	13.3	0.4	39.0	32.8
Core P/E (x)	27.4	27.3	19.6	14.8
Dividend yield (%)	1.4	0.7	1.0	2.0
Price/book (x)	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.0
ROE (%)	9.9	9.3	11.9	14.4
ROA (%)	5.5	4.1	4.5	4.9



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	8.9	(19.1)	(31.7)
Relative to country (%)	5.5	(18.1)	(35.4)
Mkt cap (USD m)			144
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			0.2
Free float (%)			21
Major shareholder	Aud	chyawat Fa	mily (58%)
12m high/low (THB)			8.85/4.72
Issued shares (m)			935

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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2Q22 key highlights

- MICRO posted outstanding loan growth of 45% y-y and 10% q-q due to the high demand for used trucks. According to the Department of Land Transport, the number of registered used trucks in 2Q22 was at 8.7k units, slightly below 1Q22 by 1.6%, but still at a high level. Also, MICRO was able to successfully compete for market share with local competitors due to its branch expansion.
- Its NIM declined to 12.3% from 12.9% in 1Q22 as the company lent more towards newer truck models, which command a lower yield than older trucks.
- Cost to income rose to 43.6% in 2Q22 from its six-branch expansion, the setting up of Micro Plus Leasing, and debt collection expenses.
- Its NPLs jumped significantly by 78% y-y and 31% q-q. We think the debt repayment ability of MICRO's clients is being negatively affected by high inflation and energy prices.

Exhibit 1: MICRO - summary of 2Q22 earnings

Year-end Dec 31	2Q21	1Q22		2Q22			1H22		2022E	Change	2Q22 Comments
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(y-y %)	(q-q %)	(THB m)	(y-y %)	%22E	(THB m)	(y-y %)	
Net interest income	106	128	134	26	5	261	29	47	555	26	
Non-interest income	33	37	41	25	10	78	26	47	165	28	
Operating income	139	165	175	26	6	339	28	47	720	26	
Operating expenses	45	60	76	68	27	136	53	53	255	37	
PPOP before tax	93	105	99	6	(6)	204	15	44	465	21	
Expected credit loss	39	39	77	99	96	117	101	51	229	47	
Income tax	4	14	5	21	(62)	19	13	41	47	18	
Minority interest	0	0	(3)			(3)			0		
Normalised profit	50	52	19	(63)	(64)	70	(30)	37	188	0	
Extraordinary items	0	0	0			0			0		
Net profit	50	52	19	(63)	(64)	70	(30)	37	188	0	
EPS (THB)	0.05	0.06	0.02	(63)	(64)	0.08	(30)	37	0.20	0	
Asset quality ratio (%)											
NPLs (THB m)	117	159	208	78	31				204	55	
NPLs / loans	3.74	3.85	4.58						4.13		
Loan loss reserve/NPLs	98	109	98						103		
Credit cost (bps)	520	397	713						525		
Profitability ratio (%)											
Cost to income ratio	32.7	36.2	43.6						35.4		
Average yield	16.0	15.6	15.5						15.7		
Cost of funds (COF)	4.6	5.2	5.6						5.2		
Net interest margin (NIM)	14.2	12.9	12.3						12.7		
Non-int inc / total income	23.6	22.6	23.5						22.9		
Loan growth (%)											
у-у	46.4	45.6	45.1						30.0		
q-q	10.4	8.8	10.0								

Sources: MICRO; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

Micro Leasing

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2020	2021	2022E	2023E	2024E
Interest Income	356	504	683	874	1,093
Interest expense	(48)	(63)	(128)	(188)	(249)
Net interest income	308	441	555	686	844
Net fees & commission	78	120	156	207	265
Foreign exchange trading income	-	-	-	-	-
Securities trading income	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend income	0	0	0	0	0
Other income	20	9	9	9	10
Non interest income	98	128	165	217	276
Total income	406	569	720	903	1,120
Staff costs	(153)	(186)	(255)	(298)	(349)
Other operating costs	-	-	-	-	-
Operating costs	(153)	(186)	(255)	(298)	(349)
Pre provision operating profit	253	383	465	605	771
Provision for bad and doubtful debt	(77)	(156)	(229)	(278)	(337)
Other provisions	-	-	-	-	-
Operating profit	176	227	235	327	434
Recurring non operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Associates	0	0	0	0	0
Goodwill amortization	-	0	-	-	- 0
Non recurring items	0		0	0	
Profit before tax	176	227	235	327	434
Tax	(41)	(40)	(47)	(65)	(87)
Profit after tax	135	187	188	262	347
Minority interests Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0	0
Other items	-	-	-	-	-
Reported net profit	135	- 187	188	262	347
Non recurring items & goodwill (net)	133	107	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	135	187	188	262	347
Per share (THB)	100	107	100	202	047
Recurring EPS *	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.28	0.37
Reported EPS	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.28	0.37
DPS	0.07	0.08	0.04	0.06	0.11
Growth					
Net interest income (%)	26.5	43.2	25.9	23.7	23.0
Non interest income (%)	104.8	30.5	28.3	31.5	27.2
Pre provision operating profit (%)	56.6	51.2	21.3	30.2	27.5
Operating profit (%)	27.0	29.1	3.5	39.0	32.8
Reported net profit (%)	21.9	38.8	0.4	39.0	32.8
Recurring EPS (%)	11.8	13.3	0.4	39.0	32.8
Reported EPS (%)	11.8	13.3	0.4	39.0	32.8
Income Breakdown					
Net interest income (%)	75.8	77.4	77.1	76.0	75.4
Net fees & commission (%)	19.2	21.1	21.7	23.0	23.7
Foreign exchange trading income (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Securities trading income (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend income (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Other income (%)	5.0	1.5	1.2	1.0	0.9
Operating performance					
Gross interest yield (%)	15.53	15.90	15.65	15.75	15.75
Cost of funds (%)	5.30	4.59	5.20	5.35	5.45
Net interest spread (%)	10.23	11.31	10.45	10.40	10.30
Net interest margin (%)	13.4	13.9	12.7	12.4	12.2
Cost/income(%)	37.6	32.7	35.4	33.0	31.2
Cost/assets(%)	6.3	5.5	5.5	5.1	4.9
Effective tax rate (%)	23.3	17.6	20.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	38.1	38.4	20.0	20.0	30.0
ROE (%)	9.3	9.9	9.3	11.9	14.4
ROE - COE (%)	(1.5)	(0.9)	(1.5)	1.1	3.6
ROA (%)	5.5	5.5	4.1	4.5	4.9
RORWA (%)	-	-	-	-	-
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					

Sources: Micro Leasing; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

Micro Leasing

Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2020	2021	2022E	2023E	2024E
Gross customer loans	2,542	3,796	4,935	6,168	7,710
Total provisions	(98)	(162)	(211)	(266)	(564)
nterest in suspense	0	0	0	0	0
Net customer loans	2,444	3,634	4,724	5,903	7,147
Bank loans	-	-	-	-	-
Government securities	-	-	-	-	-
Trading securities	-	-	-	-	-
nvestment securities	0	0	0	0	0
Cash & equivalents	128	142	179	135	134
Other interesting assets	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible fixed assets	7	11	19	32	53
Associates	-	-	-	-	-
Goodwill	-	-	-	-	-
Other intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-
Other assets	176	248	330	405	485
Total assets	2,755	4,034	5,252	6,474	7,819
Customer deposits	0	0	0	0	0
Bank deposits	-	-	-	-	-
Other interest bearing liabilities	823	1,929	3,011	4,015	5,109
Non interest bearing liabilities	109	147	154	162	170
Hybrid Capital	-	-	-	-	
Total liabilities	932	2,076	3,165	4,177	5,279
Share capital	935	935	935	935	935
Reserves	888	1,023	1,152	1,362	1,605
Total equity	1,823	1,958	2,087	2,297	2,540
Minority interests	0	0	0	0	0
Total liabilities & equity	2,755	4,034	5,252	6,474	7,819
Supplementary items					
Risk weighted assets (RWA)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average interest earning assets	2,289	3,169	4,365	5,551	6,939
Average interest bearing liabilities	905	1,376	2,470	3,513	4,562
Tier 1 capital	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total capital	0	0	0	0	C
Gross non performing loans (NPL)	97	132	204	245	294
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	2.39	2.09	2.23	2.46	2.72
Tangible book value per share	2.39	2.09	2.23	2.46	2.72
Growth					
Gross customer loans	24.8	49.3	30.0	25.0	25.0
Average interest earning assets	29.4	38.4	37.8	27.2	25.0
Total asset (%)	30.1	46.4	30.2	23.3	20.8
Risk weighted assets (%)	-	-	-	-	
Customer deposits (%)	nm	nm	nm	nm	nm
_everage & capital measures					
Customer loan/deposits (%)	-	-	-	-	
Equity/assets (%)	66.2	48.5	39.7	35.5	32.5
Γangible equity/assets (%)	66.2	48.5	39.7	35.5	32.5
RWA/assets (%)	-	-	-	-	
Γier 1 CAR (%)	-	-	-	-	
Total CAR (%)	-	-	-	-	
Asset Quality					
Change in NPL (%)	6.6	35.8	54.6	20.0	20.0
NPL/gross loans (%)	3.8	3.5	4.1	4.0	3.8
Fotal provisions/gross loans (%)	3.9	4.3	4.3	3.4	7.3
Total provisions/NPL (%)	100.9	122.9	103.3	108.6	192.1
/aluation	2020	2021	2022E	2023E	2024E
Recurring P/E (x) *	31.1	27.4	27.3	19.6	14.8
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	31.1	27.4	27.3	19.6	14.8
Reported P/E (x)	31.1	27.4	27.3	19.6	14.8
Dividend yield (%)	1.2	1.4	0.7	1.0	2.0
Price/book (x)	2.3	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.0
Price/tangible book (x)	2.3	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.0
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Price/tangible book @ target price (x)	2.3	2.6	Z.3	Z.Z	/ \

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AP	BSBM	EASTW	HENG	L&E	NKI	PREB	SCCC	STOWER	TNL	VGI
APCS	BTS	ECL	HMPRO	LANNA	NMG	PRG	SCG	SUSCO	TNP	VIH
AQUA	BWG	EGCO	HTC	LH	NNCL	PRINC	SCN	SVI	TNR	WACOA
ARROW	CEN	EP	ICC	LHFG	NOBLE	PRM	SEAOIL	SYMC	TOG	WHA
AS	CENTEL	EPG	ICHI	LHK	NOK	PROS	SE-ED	SYNTEC	TOP	WHAUP
ASIAN	CFRESH	ERW	IFEC	LPN	NSI	PSH	SELIC	TAE	TOPP	WICE
ASK	CGH	ESTAR	IFS	LRH	NWR	PSL	SENA	TAKUNI	TPA	WIIK
ASP	CHEWA	ETE	ILINK	М	OCC	PSTC	SGP	TASCO	TPP	XO
AWC	CHOTI	FE	INET	MAKRO	OGC	PT	SINGER	TBSP	TRU	ZEN
AYUD	CHOW	FNS	INSURE	MALEE	ORI	PTG	SIRI	TCAP	TRUE	
В	CIG	FPI	INTUCH	MATCH	PAP	PTT	SITHAI	TCMC	TSC	
BAFS	CIMBT	FPT	IRC	MBAX	PATO	PTTEP	SKR	TFG	TSTE	
BAM	СМ	FSMART	IRPC	MBK	РВ	PTTGC	SMIT	TFI	TSTH	
BANPU	CMC	FSS	ITEL	MC	PCSGH	PYLON	SMK	TFMAMA	TTA	
BAY	COM7	FTE	IVL	MCOT	PDG	Q-CON	SMPC	TGH	TTB	
BBL	СОТТО	GBX	JKN	META	PDJ	QH	SNC	THANI	TTCL	
DECLARED										
AJ	CHG	DDD	ETC	JR	MAJOR	NUSA	RS	SSS	TQM	YUASA
ALT	CPL	DHOUSE	FLOYD	JTS	NCAP	NYT	SAK	STECH	TSI	ZIGA
APCO	CPR	DOHOME	GULF	KEX	NCL	OR	SCGP	STGT	VARO	
B52	CPW	ECF	III	KUMWEL	NOVA	PIMO	SCM	TKN	VCOM	
BEC	CRC	EKH	INOX	LDC	NRF	PLE	SIS	TMI	VIBHA	

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23-Dec-2020 23-Mar-2021	BUY BUY	7.50 12.40	16-Aug-2021 14-Jul-2022	BUY HOLD	10.70 5.50	-	-	

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Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Micro Leasing	MICRO TB	THB 5.50	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-derived TP include 1) an economic slowdown, especially for logistics activities and private investment; 2) deteriorating asset quality; and 3) higher-than-expected policy rate hikes. Upside risks include 1) efficient asset quality control; and 2) the faster ramping up of its new businesses, including new motorcycle hire purchase loans, truck title loans, and insurance brokerage

Source: FSSIA estimates

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Stock ratings

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BUY (B). The upside is 10% or more.

HOLD (H). The upside or downside is less than 10%.

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