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Thailand Healthcare

BH and PRINC buying opportunity?

- Dr. Satit sold a big lot of BH shares (8.4%) to investors on 18-Aug.
- BH's weak share price is a buying opportunity to capture the strong 2H22E earnings momentum from the recovery of international patient numbers.
- Dr. Satit likely to focus on expanding PRINC's hospital portfolio from 13 to 20 hospitals by 2025 with capex of cTHB5b-6b.

Big-lot transaction of BH shares with an 8% discount to market price

Dr. Satit Viddayakorn acquired 180.7m BH shares (22.7% of total shares) at THB103/shr for a total transaction worth THB18.6b in Nov-20. He transferred and divested some shares and had held c143m shares since 2021. This year, he has sold two major portions of BH shares. The first transaction was the divestment of 71.9m shares (9.0%) at THB151.5/shr to Kiatnakin Phatra Asset Management in May-22, and the second transaction was the divestment of 66.8m shares at cTHB178/shr (8.4%) to investors today, according to Kaohoon. We estimate he would receive proceeds of cTHB22.8b with a profit of cTHB8.5b for the two major transactions this year.

No impact on BH's operations

The divestment of a major shareholder would have no impact on BH's operations as Dr. Satit has not been involved in BH's management team. We believe the weak share price is a buying opportunity. BH recently reported a new record high core profit in 2Q22 (exceeding 2Q19 level by 37%), driven by the recovery of international patients. The momentum should continue in 3Q22, which is the high healthcare season for Thai and Middle East patients.

The proceeds may be used to fund PRINC's expansion plan

We believe Dr. Satit will turn his focus to PRINC. Currently, the Viddayakorn family holds c69% of PRINC and PRINC has an ambitious expansion plan to increase the number of its hospitals from 13 with c1,200 beds currently to 20 hospitals with c2,000-3,000 beds by 2025. Capex of cTHB5b-6b would be required for greenfield or brownfield projects over the next three years. PRINC has a strong balance sheet with IBD/E of only 0.4x as of 2Q22 and projected EBITDA of THB1.8b-2.5b per year over 2022-24, sufficient to support its expansion projects. The proceeds from the divestment of BH shares by PRINC's major shareholder may support PRINC's additional projects in the future.

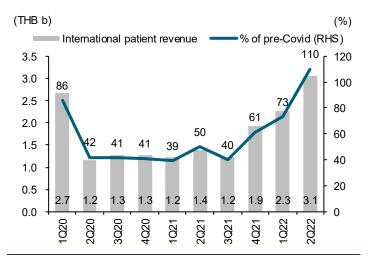
Catalysts for both BH and PRINC awaiting in both the near and long term

We think this transaction provides an opportunity to accumulate both BH (BUY, TP THB210) and PRINC (BUY, TP THB10). BH's share price plunged 4% today as the big-lot price was at a discount to the market price by 8%. However, BH's fundamentals remain strong. The record high quarterly earnings in 2Q22 should support its share price to move to its record high (cTHB230/shr in 2017 and cTHB260 in 2015). PRINC is the cheapest investing option for a hospital chain in Thailand that is in a ramping up period (for existing hospitals) and expansion period (for new projects), with a market cap/bed of only THB20m and ample room to re-rate to the THB42m market cap/bed average of other hospital chains.



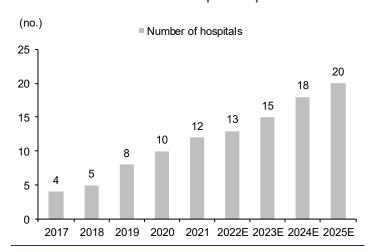
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Exhibit 1: BH – strong international patient revenue trend



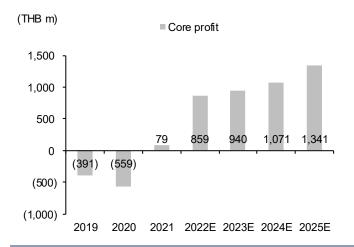
Source: BH

Exhibit 3: PRINC - number of hospitals in portfolio



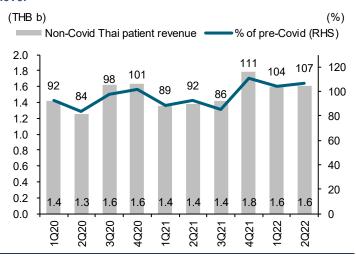
Sources: PRINC; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 5: PRINC – strong core profit of 103% CAGR estimated over 2021-25



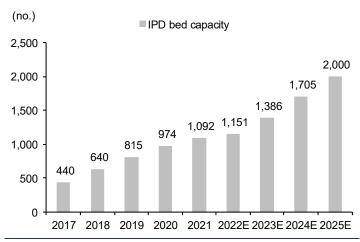
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Exhibit 2: BH – Thai patient revenue exceeding pre-Covid level



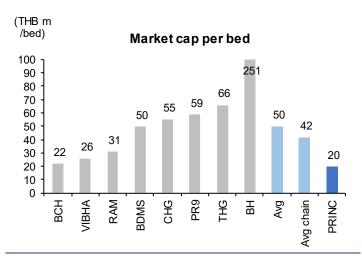
Source: BH

Exhibit 4: PRINC – IPD bed capacity in portfolio



Sources: PRINC; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 6: Market cap per bed



Note: 1) Excluding property business value from PRINC's market cap; 2) RAM, VIBHA and THG calculation based on equity beds; 3) data as of 18 Aug 2022 Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 7: Peers comparison as of 18 Aug-22

Company	BBG	Rec		Share price	9	Market	P	E	R	0E	PE	3V	- EV/ EE	BITDA -
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			(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(USD m)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)
Thailand														
Bangkok Dusit Med Service	BDMS TB	BUY	27.25	31.00	14	12,155	42.9	34.5	11.8	13.9	5.0	4.6	21.8	18.5
Bumrungrad Hospital	BH TB	BUY	186.50	210.00	13	4,161	48.7	35.3	17.4	22.6	8.3	7.6	29.1	22.2
Bangkok Chain Hospital	BCH TB	BUY	19.80	28.50	44	1,386	10.6	25.0	33.7	13.7	3.4	3.5	6.8	12.7
Chularat Hospital	CHG TB	BUY	3.76	4.70	25	1,161	13.7	28.4	37.8	17.7	4.9	5.1	9.2	16.9
Praram 9 Hospital	PR9 TB	BUY	16.80	18.00	7	371	27.2	26.8	10.9	10.4	2.8	2.7	13.0	12.6
Thonburi Healthcare Group	THG TB	REDUCE	67.75	45.00	(34)	1,612	40.2	80.7	15.1	7.4	5.9	6.0	22.9	32.1
Vibhavadi Medical Center	VIBHA TB	BUY	2.46	3.20	30	937	31.9	30.8	8.1	7.3	2.3	2.2	28.7	26.0
Ramkhamhaeng Hospital	RAM TB	BUY	54.00	62.00	15	1,819	29.1	28.9	12.5	11.8	3.5	3.3	25.0	24.1
Principal Capital	PRINC TB	BUY	7.40	10.00	35	791	32.8	30.0	8.4	8.5	2.6	2.5	17.3	16.5
Rajthanee Hospital	RJH TB	n/a	41.50	n/a	n/a	349	11.9	27.4	52.6	20.4	8.3	5.5	9.4	18.2
Ekachai Medical Care	EKH TB	n/a	7.55	n/a	n/a	141	24.8	24.7	15.1	14.1	5.4	3.2	14.5	13.6
Thailand average						24,882	28.5	33.9	20.3	13.4	4.8	4.2	18.0	19.4
Regional														
Ramsay Health Care	RHC AU	n/a	72.28	n/a	n/a	11,511	53.7	29.9	8.1	12.9	4.1	4.1	13.2	10.8
Ihh Healthcare Bhd	IHH SP	n/a	2.02	n/a	n/a	12,883	34.8	30.3	6.9	7.3	2.3	2.3	15.4	14.4
Ryman Healthcare	RYM NZ	n/a	9.48	n/a	n/a	2,987	20.7	17.2	7.4	7.6	1.4	1.4	19.8	15.3
Apollo Hospitals Enterprise	APHS IN	n/a	4,267	n/a	n/a	7,705	66.4	60.1	18.6	16.6	10.9	10.9	28.1	27.3
Kpj Healthcare Berhad	KPJ MK	n/a	0.88	n/a	n/a	855	31.4	23.2	5.6	7.4	1.7	1.7	12.4	11.1
Raffles Medical Group	RFMD SP	n/a	1.35	n/a	n/a	1,811	26.0	27.0	9.8	9.0	2.5	2.5	13.8	14.3
Mitra Keluarga Karyasehat	MIKA IJ	n/a	2,500	n/a	n/a	2,402	32.9	29.6	19.2	19.4	6.1	6.1	21.2	19.0
Aier Eye Hospital Group	300015 CH	n/a	28.68	n/a	n/a	29,758	62.1	46.6	22.4	24.2	14.5	14.5	38.6	30.2
Regional average						69,911	41.0	33.0	12.2	13.1	5.4	5.4	20.3	17.8
Overall average						94,794	33.8	33.5	16.9	13.3	5.1	4.7	19.0	18.7

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

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Bangkok Dusit Medical Services	BDMS TB	THB 27.25	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in international patients due to economic concerns, political protests or floods; 2) regulatory risks from drug price and medical bill controls; and 3) higher-than-expected capex and opex for CoE projects.
Bumrungrad Hospital	ВН ТВ	THB 186.50	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in international patients due to economic concerns, political protests or floods; 2) regulatory risks from drug prices and medical bill controls; and 3) higher medical fee discount promotions, leading to a weaker EBITDA margin.
Bangkok Chain Hospital	BCH TB	THB 19.80	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in international patients due to economic concerns, political protests or floods; 2) regulatory risks from drug prices and medical bill controls; and 3) SSO provision expenses following a limited SSO budget.
Chularat Hospital	CHG TB	THB 3.76	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in Thai patient volume due to economic concerns; 2) regulatory risks from drug price and medical bill controls; and 3) SSO provision expenses following limited budgets from the SSO.
Praram 9 Hospital	PR9 TB	THB 16.80	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) weak patient volumes following the economic slowdown; 2) regulatory risks from drug price and medical bill controls; and 3) higher-than-expected expenses from its new building.
Thonburi Healthcare Group	THG TB	THB 67.75	REDUCE	Upside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a new Covid wave from a new variant; and 2) big-lot sales of Jin Wellbeing County units.
Vibhavadi Medical Center	VIBHA TB	THB 2.46	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in Thai patient volume due to economic concerns; 2) regulatory risks from drug prices and medical bill controls; and 3) SSO provision expenses following limited budgets from the SSO.
Ramkhamhaeng Hospital	RAM TB	THB 54.00	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) weak patient volumes following the economic slowdown; 2) regulatory risks from drug price and medical bill controls; and 3) losses from its subsidiary companies.
Principal Capital	PRINC TB	THB 7.40	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) weak patient volumes following the economic slowdown; 2) regulatory risks from drug price and medical bill controls; and 3) losses from new hospitals.

Source: FSSIA estimates

Additional Disclosures

Target price history, stock price charts, valuation and risk details, and equity rating histories applicable to each company rated in this report is available in our most recently published reports. You can contact the analyst named on the front of this note or your representative at Finansia Syrus Securities Public Company Limited

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RECOMMENDATION STRUCTURE

Stock ratings

Stock ratings are based on absolute upside or downside, which we define as (target price* - current price) / current price.

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

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

REDUCE (R). The downside is 10% or more.

Unless otherwise specified, these recommendations are set with a 12-month horizon. Thus, it is possible that future price volatility may cause a temporary mismatch between upside/downside for a stock based on market price and the formal recommendation.

* In most cases, the target price will equal the analyst's assessment of the current fair value of the stock. However, if the analyst doesn't think the market will reassess the stock over the specified time horizon due to a lack of events or catalysts, then the target price may differ from fair value. In most cases, therefore, our recommendation is an assessment of the mismatch between current market price and our assessment of current fair value.

Industry Recommendations

Overweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be positive over the next 12 months.

Neutral. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be maintained over the next 12 months.

Underweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be negative over the next 12 months.

Country (Strategy) Recommendations

Overweight (O). Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on two or more of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.

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