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R&B FOOD SUPPLY

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BUY

UNCHANGE

TARGET PRICE THB13.50
CLOSE THB10.20
UP/DOWNSIDE +32.4%
PRIOR TP THB13.50
CHANGE IN TP UNCHANGED
TP vs CONSENSUS +9.9%

คาดผลประกอบการ 2Q23 จะทำสถิติสูงสุดในรอบ 5 ไตรมาส

- เราคาดว่ากำไรสุทธิ์ 2Q23 จะโตดี (+5.3% q-q, +34% y-y)
- มองแนวโน้มกำไรในช่วง 2H23 เป็นบวก เรายังคาดว่ากำไรสุทธิปี 2023 จะโต 38% y y พร้อม Upside ที่กำลังเป็นจริงในปี 2024
- คงแนะนำซื้อที่ราคาเป้าหมายเดิมที่ 13 5 บาท

คาดกำไรสุทธิ 2Q23 จะทำสถิติสูงสุดในรอบ 5 ไตรมาส

เราคาดกำไรสุทธิ 2Q23 ที่ 154 ลบ. (+5.3% q-q, +34% y-y) กำไรน่าจะโตดี y-y จากฐานที่ต่ำ ในปีที่แล้วและต้นทุนข้าวสาลีที่ลดลง ในไตรมาสดังกล่าวเราคาดว่ารายได้รวมจะโต 1.9% q-q และ 10% y-y โดยการเติบโต q-q จะสวนฤดูกาลปกติเนื่องจาก: 1) รายได้ในประเทศน่าจะโต สูงขึ้น (+1.8% q-q, +3% y-y) จากการพื้นตัวในตลาดเครื่องดื่ม; และ 2) รายได้ต่างประเทศ น่าจะโตดี (+2.2% q-q, +36% y-y) จากการบริโภคที่พื้นตัวในอินโดนีเซีย ญี่ปุ่นและจีน ในขณะ ที่ตลาดเวียดนามน่าจะลดลงจากมูลค่าการส่งออกที่ลดลงและปัญหาการขาดแคลนไฟฟ้า

อัตรากำไรน่าจะปรับตัวดีขึ้นใกล้เคียงกับเป้าของผู้บริหาร

ใน 2Q23 เราคาดว่าอัตรากำไรขั้นต้นจะปรับตัวดีขึ้นต่อเนื่องเป็น 36.3% จาก 36.1% ใน 1Q23 และ 34.2% ใน 2Q22 โดยปัจจัยผลักดันสำคัญจะไม่ได้มีแค่เพียงต้นทุนวัตถุดิบที่ลดลงในธุรกิจ Food coating แต่ยังรวมถึง Product mix ที่ดีขึ้นด้วยโดยเราคาดว่ารายได้จากธุรกิจ Flavouring และ Food colouring จะพื้นตัว ในช่วง 1H23 เราคาดว่าอัตรากำไรขั้นต้นจะอยู่ที่ 36.2% เพิ่มจาก 34% ในปี 2022 ใกล้เคียงกับเป้าของผู้บริหารที่ต้องการดันอัตรากำไรขั้นต้นปี 2023 ขึ้นประมาณ 2-3% จากปี 2022 นอกจากนี้เรายังคาดว่ารายได้จากอินเดียในช่วง 1H23 จะอยู่ที่ 30 ลบ. ซึ่งน่าจะเท่ากับเป้าเต็มปีของบริษัทฯ เราเชื่อว่าผู้บริหารจะปรับเป้าในปี 2023-

คงประมาณการปี 2023 ที่คาดว่ากำไรจะโตดีถึง 38%

ถ้าผลประกอบการออกมาตามคาด กำไรสุทธิในช่วง 1H23 จะอยู่ที่ 301 ลบ. (+8.3% y-y) เมื่อ หักรายการพิเศษ เราคาดว่ากำไรปกติจะอยู่ที่ 313 ลบ. (+19.8% y-y) คิดเป็น 47% ของ ประมาณการเต็มปีของเรา เราคาดว่ากำไรจะปรับขึ้นในช่วง 2H23 จากปัจจัยด้านฤดูกาล เพราะฉะนั้นเรายังคงประมาณการของเราที่คาดว่ากำไรสุทธิปี 2023-24 จะโต 38% y-y และ 16% y-y ตามลำดับ ในด้านสายการผลิต Food coating สายแรกในอินเดีย บริษัทฯ เริ่มการ ก่อสร้างใน 2Q23 การก่อสร้างน่าจะแล้วเสร็จและบริษัทฯ น่าจะเริ่มดำเนินงานเชิงพาณิชย์ได้ ในช่วง 1H24 ซึ่งจะเป็น Upside ให้แก่ประมาณการปี 2024 ของเรา

คงแนะนำซื้อที่ราคาเป้าหมายเดิมที่ 13.5 บาท

เราคงแนะนำซื้อที่ราคาเป้าหมายเดิมที่ 13.5 บาท (40x ของค่า 2023E P/E) ราคาหุ้นมี Upside อยู่ 32% เรามีมุมมองเชิงบวกเกี่ยวกับกระแสกำไรของ RBF ในช่วงที่เหลือของปีนี้

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	3,961	4,554	5,104	5,677
Net profit	482	664	772	881
EPS (THB)	0.24	0.33	0.39	0.44
vs Consensus (%)	-	(6.2)	(2.5)	2.8
EBITDA	809	1,103	1,298	1,494
Recurring net profit	459	664	772	881
Core EPS (THB)	0.23	0.33	0.39	0.44
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-
EPS growth (%)	(3.3)	44.5	16.3	14.1
Core P/E (x)	44.4	30.7	26.4	23.2
Dividend yield (%)	1.0	2.0	2.3	2.6
EV/EBITDA (x)	24.6	18.1	15.3	13.2
Price/book (x)	4.7	4.5	4.2	3.9
Net debt/Equity (%)	(11.4)	(9.3)	(11.3)	(14.7)
ROE (%)	10.7	14.8	16.3	17.4



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(17.7)	(6.4)	(22.7)
Relative to country (%)	(14.0)	(0.2)	(20.0)
Mkt cap (USD m)			590
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			1.7
Free float (%)			28
Major shareholder	Ratanapoo	mpinyo Far	milly (62%)
12m high/low (THB)			15.20/9.55
Issued shares (m)			2,000.00

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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Investment thesis

RBF's customers are in the food and beverage industries. Since both are a necessity, RBF's revenues are constant. RBF has a long history and is accredited with international standards. RBF pays attention to R&D, which helps it to differentiate its products from competitors and create customer satisfaction. Since the company develops unique formulas for each customer, it is hard for customers to switch suppliers once consumers become attached to the flavour.

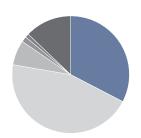
Company profile

RBF manufactures and distributes food ingredients, which can be divided into several product groups: flavour and food colouring, food coating, and trading products, which are food additives such as preservatives, antifungal agents, citric acid, etc. The company's 2022 revenue contribution from food coating accounted for 45.1% of total revenue, followed by flavouring and food colouring (32.6%), trading products (12.9%), dried products (6.9%), frozen products (1.5%), and plastic packaging (1%).

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Principal activities (revenue, 2022)

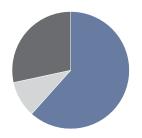
- Flavouring agents and Food colouring - 32.6 % Food coating - 45.1 %
- Dehydrated products 6.9 %
- Frozen 1.5 %
- Plastic packaging 1.0 %



Source: R&B Food Supply

Major shareholders

- Ratanapoompinyo Familly 61.6
- Thai Union Group PCL 10.0 %
- Others 28.4 %



Source: R&B Food Supply

Catalysts

Potential catalysts for RBF's earnings growth in 2023 are 1) revenue growth driven by a consumption recovery; 2) declining raw material costs; 3) the success of its new market expansions; and 4) the success of new products launched.

Risks to our call

Downside risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) a slowerthan-expected consumption recovery; 2) high volatility in raw material costs; 3) a weaker THB than expected; and 4) a slower-than-expected India expansion.

Event calendar

Date	Event
11 August 2023	2Q23 results announcement

Key assumptions

	2023E	2024E	2025E
Domestic sales proportion (%)	75.9	73.2	71.0
Overseas sales proportion (%)	24.1	26.8	29.0
Food coating sales growth (%)	11.2	9.9	10.3
Flavour & fragrance sales growth (%)	20.0	15.0	12.0
Total sales growth (%)	15.0	12.1	11.2
Gross margin (%)	35.8	36.5	37.0

Source: FSSIA estimates

Earnings sensitivity

- For every 1% increase in revenue, we estimate 2023 net profit to rise by 0.8%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.5% increase in GPM, we estimate 2023 net profit to rise by 3%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.2% increase in SG&A to sales, we estimate 2023 net profit to fall by 1.1%, and vice versa, all else being equal.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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Exhibit 1: 2Q23 earnings preview

	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23E	Cha	nge	1H22	1H23E	Change
	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(y-y%)					
Sales	984	978	994	1,005	1,056	1,076	1.9	10.0	1,963	2,132	8.6
Cost of sales	615	643	675	682	674	686	1.7	6.5	1,258	1,360	8.1
Gross profit	370	335	319	323	382	391	2.4	16.6	704	772	9.6
SG&A	184	190	195	193	194	198	2.2	4.3	374	392	4.7
Operating profit	189	146	124	131	189	195	2.9	33.4	335	384	14.5
Interest expense	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.5	2.3	2.3	(1.6)	(0.7)	5	5	0.5
Tax expense	35	31	29	19	29	39	33.4	24.8	65	68	3.3
Profit (loss) sharing - India	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.96	1.00	3.7	nm	0	2	nm
Reported net profit	163	115	110	94	147	154	5.3	34.0	278	301	8.3
Core profit	150	112	90	108	159	154	(2.6)	38.4	261	313	19.8
Key Ratios (%)							(ppt)	(ppt)			
Gross margin	37.5	34.2	32.1	32.1	36.1	36.3	0.2	2.1	35.9	36.2	0.3
SG&A to sales	18.7	19.4	19.7	19.2	18.4	18.4	0.0	(1.0)	19.1	18.4	(0.7)
Operating margin	19.2	14.9	12.5	13.0	17.9	18.1	0.2	3.2	17.1	18.0	0.9
Net margin	16.5	11.8	11.1	9.4	13.9	14.4	0.5	2.6	14.2	14.1	(0.0)
Core margin	15.2	11.4	9.1	10.7	15.0	14.4	(0.7)	2.9	13.3	14.7	1.4
Operating statistics (THB m)											
Domestic	789	771	788	795	780	794	1.8	3.0	1,560	1,574	0.9
Overseas	195	207	205	210	276	282	2.2	36.1	402	558	38.7

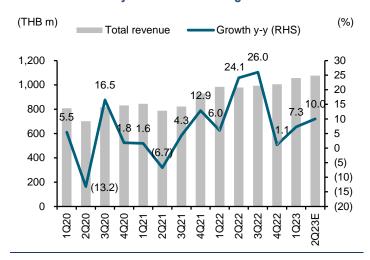
Sources: RBF; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 2: Key assumptions for RBF

Assumptions Actual		Forecast			Growth		
	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E
					(%)	(%)	(%)
Domestic sales (THB m)	3,143	3,458	3,734	4,033	10.0	8.0	8.0
Oversea sales (THB m)	818	1,096	1,370	1,644	34.0	25.0	20.0
Food coating sales (THB m)	1,787	1,987	2,184	2,409	11.2	9.9	10.3
Flavoring & food coloring sales (THB m)	1,292	1,550	1,782	1,996	20.0	15.0	12.0
Total sales (THB m)	3,961	4,554	5,104	5,677	15.0	12.1	11.2
Gross profit (THB m)	1,346	1,630	1,863	2,100	21.1	14.3	12.7
Gross margin (%)	34.0	35.8	36.5	37.0	1.8	0.7	0.5
SG&A expenses (THB m)	763	820	919	1,022	7.5	12.1	11.2
SG&A to sales (%)	19.3	18.0	18.0	18.0	(1.3)	0.0	0.0
Report net profit (THB m)	482	664	772	881	37.6	16.3	14.1
Net margin (%)	12.2	14.6	15.1	15.5	2.4	0.5	0.4
Core profit (THB m)	459	664	772	881	44.5	16.3	14.1
Core margin (%)	11.6	14.6	15.1	15.5	3.0	0.5	0.4

Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 3: Quarterly total revenue and growth



Sources: RBF, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 5: Gross margin and net margin



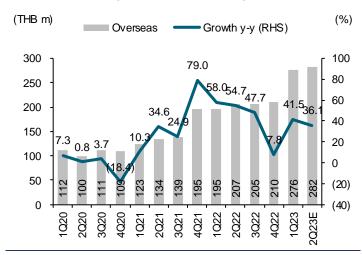
Sources: RBF, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 7: Historical P/E band



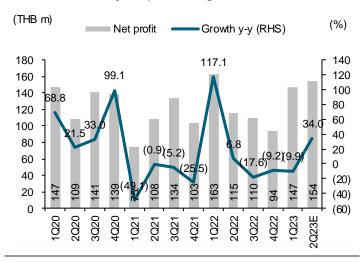
Sources: Bloomberg, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 4: Quarterly overseas sales and growth



Sources: RBF, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 6: Quarterly net profit and growth



Sources: RBF, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 8: Historical P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg, FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

R&B Food Supply

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	3,384	3,961	4,554	5,104	5,677
Cost of goods sold	(2,126)	(2,615)	(2,923)	(3,241)	(3,576)
Gross profit	1,258	1,346	1,630	1,863	2,100
Other operating income	7	7	14	15	17
Operating costs	(663)	(763)	(820)	(919)	(1,022)
Operating EBITDA	809	809	1,103	1,298	1,494
Depreciation	(207)	(219)	(279)	(339)	(399)
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	0
Operating EBIT	603	590	824	960	1,096
Net financing costs	(9)	(9)	(9)	(12)	(15)
Associates	-	-	-	-	-
Recurring non-operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Non-recurring items	(55)	23	0	0	0
Profit before tax	539	604	815	948	1,081
Tax	(116)	(113)	(147)	(171)	(195)
Profit after tax	423	491	668	777	886
Minority interests	(3)	(9)	(5)	(5)	(6)
Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0	0
Other items	-	-	-	-	-
Reported net profit	420	482	664	772	881
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	55	(23)	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	475	459	664	772	881
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	0.24	0.23	0.33	0.39	0.44
Reported EPS	0.21	0.24	0.33	0.39	0.44
DPS	0.15	0.10	0.20	0.23	0.26
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Growth					
Revenue (%)	6.7	17.1	15.0	12.1	11.2
Operating EBITDA (%)	(5.3)	(0.1)	36.3	17.7	15.1
Operating EBIT (%)	(9.6)	(2.0)	39.6	16.4	14.2
Recurring EPS (%)	(11.8)	(3.3)	44.5	16.3	14.1
Reported EPS (%)	(19.1)	14.8	37.6	16.3	14.1
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	37.2	34.0	35.8	36.5	37.0
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	43.3	39.5	41.9	43.1	44.0
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	23.9	20.4	24.2	25.4	26.3
Operating EBIT margin (%)	17.8	14.9	18.1	18.8	19.3
Net margin (%)	14.0	11.6	14.6	15.1	15.5
Effective tax rate (%)	21.5	18.7	18.0	18.0	18.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	63.1	43.5	60.0	60.0	60.0
Interest cover (X)	68.0	64.5	88.5	80.0	74.6
Inventory days	166.1	168.0	177.9	180.5	182.4
Debtor days	91.2	85.2	85.0	85.1	85.5
Creditor days	81.2	77.3	75.1	74.3	75.1
Operating ROIC (%)	14.9	13.7	17.1	18.9	(5.2)
ROIC (%)	14.3	13.0	16.1	17.7	(4.9)
ROE (%)	11.4	10.7	14.8	16.3	17.4
ROA (%)	9.8	9.3	12.7	14.0	14.6
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted	5.0	5.5	14.1	17.0	17.0
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Flavouring agents and Food colouring	1,194	1,292	1,550	1,782	1,996
Flavouring agents and Food colouring Food coating					
9	1,335	1,787	1,987	2,184	2,409
Dehydrated products	214	272	318	366 75	420
Frozen	68	60	67	75	84

Sources: R&B Food Supply; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

R&B Food Supply

Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring net profit	475	459	664	772	881
Depreciation	207	219	279	339	399
Associates & minorities	0	0	0	0	(
Other non-cash items	14	11	(1)	2	(004)
Change in working capital	(135)	(354)	(234)	(221)	(231)
cash flow from operations	562	335	708	891	1,050
Capex - maintenance Capex - new investment	-	(456)	(367)	(300)	(300
Net acquisitions & disposals	_	(430)	(307)	(300)	(300)
Other investments (net)	30	(109)	(28)	(9)	(9)
Cash flow from investing	30	(565)	(395)	(309)	(309
Dividends paid	(300)	(295)	(398)	(463)	(528
Equity finance	0	0	0	0	(
Debt finance	(129)	19	(10)	(10)	(11
Other financing cash flows	(1)	(3)	10	8	, (
Cash flow from financing	(430)	(278)	(398)	(465)	(530)
lon-recurring cash flows	-	-	-	-	
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
let other adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
Movement in cash	162	(508)	(85)	118	210
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	600.43	(220.64)	322.55	594.44	755.37
ree cash flow to equity (FCFE)	461.77	(213.05)	313.20	580.70	738.77
er share (THB)					
CFF per share	0.30	(0.11)	0.16	0.30	0.38
CFE per share	0.23	(0.11)	0.16	0.29	0.37
Recurring cash flow per share	0.35	0.34	0.47	0.56	0.64
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
rangible fixed assets (gross)	3,031	3,133	3,433	3,733	4,033
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(1,188)	(1,092)	(1,370)	(1,709)	(2,108)
Tangible fixed assets (net)	1,842	2,041	2,063	2,024	1,925
ntangible fixed assets (net)	6	6	11	11	11
ong-term financial assets	-	-		-	•
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	69	180	180	180	18
Cash & equivalents	1,176	668	583	700	910
VC receivable	850	998	1,123	1,259	1,400
nventories	989	1,217	1,362	1,510	1,666
Other current assets	23	44	50	56	62
Current assets	3,039	2,927	3,117	3,524	4,038
Other assets	50	51	73	82	9
Total assets	5,006	5,204	5,444	5,821	6,240
Common equity	4,224	4,373	4,572	4,881	5,233
Minorities etc.	12	23	22	24	20
Total shareholders' equity	4,237	4,397	4,594	4,905	5,25
ong term debt	156	157	147	136	12
Other long-term liabilities	61	58	68	77	8
Long-term liabilities	217	215	215	213	21
A/C payable	487	528	561	622	686
Short term debt Other current liabilities	12	10 54	10 64	11 71	1 ⁻ 79
Current liabilities	53 552	593	634	704	7: 77(
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	5,006	5,204	5,444	5,821	6,246
let working capital	1,323	1,676	1,910	2,131	2,36
nvested capital	3,290	3,954	4,237	4,428	4,57
Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is being		2,00	1,221	.,	.,
er share (THB)					
Book value per share	2.11	2.19	2.29	2.44	2.62
angible book value per share	2.11	2.18	2.28	2.43	2.6
inancial strength	2.11	2.10	2.20	2.70	2.0
let debt/equity (%)	(23.8)	(11.4)	(9.3)	(11.3)	(14.7
let debt/total assets (%)	(20.1)	(9.6)	(7.8)	(9.5)	(14.7
Current ratio (x)	5.5	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.3
CF interest cover (x)	53.1	27.5	74.0	74.4	71.
/aluation	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
tecurring P/E (x) *	42.9	44.4	30.7	26.4	23.
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	56.8	58.8	40.7	35.0	30.
Reported P/E (x)	48.6 1.5	42.3	30.7	26.4	23.
Dividend yield (%)	1.5	1.0 4.7	2.0 4.5	2.3 4.2	2.
Price/book (x) Price/tangible book (x)	4.8 4.8	4.7 4.7	4.5 4.5	4.2 4.2	3. 3.
:V/EBITDA (x) **	4.8 24.0	4.7 24.6	4.5 18.1	4.2 15.3	3. 13.
EV/EBITDA (x) *** EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	24.0 32.1	24.6 32.8	24.1	20.4	17.0
• , , ,			4.7	4.5	4.
EV/invested capital (x)	5.9	5.0			

Sources: R&B Food Supply; FSSIA estimates

Public disclosures related to sustainable development evaluation of Thai listed companies

Rating regarding the sustainable development of Thai listed companies, both on the SET and MAI, are publicly available on the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Thailand (SEC). Currently, ratings available are 1) "CG Score" by the Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD); 2) "AGM Checklist" by the Thai Investors Association (TIA), a "CAC certified member" of the Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption (CAC); and 3) Sustainability Investment List (THSI) by the Stock Exchange of Thailand. The ratings are updated on an annual basis. FSS International Investment Advisory Company Limited does not confirm nor certify the accuracy of such ratings.

CG Score by the Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD) 1

The CG Score indicates corporate governance (CG) strength in the sustainable development of Thai listed companies. Annually, the Thai IOD, with support from the Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET), surveys and assesses the CG practices of companies and publishes the results on the Thai IOD website in a bid to promote and enhance the CG of Thai listed companies in order to promote compliance with international standards for better investment decisions. The results are from the perspective of a third party, not an evaluation of operations, as of the date appearing in the report, and may be changed after that date.

The five underlying categories and weighting used for the CG scoring in 2022 include the rights of shareholders and equitable treatment of shareholders (weight 25% combined), the role of stakeholders (25%), disclosure and transparency (15%), and board responsibilities (35%).

The CGR report rates CG in six categories: 5 for Excellent (score range 90-100), 4 for Very Good (score range 80-89), 3 for Good (Score range 70-79), 2 for Fair (score range 60-69), 1 for Pass (score range 60-69), and not rated (score below 50).

AGM Checklist by the Thai Investors Association (TIA)²

The "AGM Checklist" quantifies the extent to which shareholders' rights and equitable treatment are incorporated into business operations and the extent to which information is sufficiently disclosed and the level of its transparency. All the considered factors form important elements of two out of five the CG components. Annually, the TIA, with support from the SEC, leads the project to evaluate the quality of Annual General Meetings of Shareholders (AGMs) and to rate quality of the meetings.

The <u>Checklist</u> contains the minimum requirements under law that companies must comply with, or best practices according to international CG guidance. Representatives of the TIA will attend the meetings and perform the evaluation. The assessment criteria cover AGM procedures before the meeting (45%), at the meeting date (45%), and after the meeting (10%). The first assesses 1) advance circulation of sufficient information for voting; and 2) facilitating of how voting rights can be exercised. The second assesses 1) the ease of attending meetings; 2) transparency and verifiability; and 3) openness for Q&A. The third involves the meeting minutes that should contain discussion issues, resolutions and voting results.

The results are classified into four categories: 5 for Excellent (score 100), 4 for Very Good (score 90-99), 3 for Fair (score 80-89), and not rated (score below 79).

CAC certified member by the Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption (CAC)3

A <u>CAC certified member</u> is a listed company whose Checklist satisfies the CAC Certification's criteria and is approved by the CAC Council. The core elements of the Checklist include corruption risk assessment, establishment of key controls, and the monitoring and developing of policies. Note that the CAC does not certify the behaviour of the employees nor whether the companies have engaged in bribery, and Certification is good for three years.

Companies deciding to become a CAC certified member start with by submitting a Declaration of Intent signed by the Chairman of the Board to kick off the 18-month deadline for companies to submit the CAC Checklist for Certification. The 18-month provision is for risk assessment, in place of policy and control, training of managers and employees, establishment of whistleblowing channels, and communication of policies to all stakeholders.

The checklist document will be reviewed by the CAC Certification Committee for adequate information and evidence. It is worth noting that the committee consists of nine professionals in business law, corporate governance, internal audit, financial audit and experienced representatives from certified members.

A passed Checklist will move on to the <u>CAC Council</u> for granting certification approvals. The CAC Council consists of twelve prominent individuals who are highly respected in professionalism and ethical achievements. Among them are former ministers, a former central bank governor, the former head of the Thai Listed Companies Association, Chairman of Anti-Corruption Organizations (Thailand), Chairman of Thai Institute of Directors, and reputable academic scholars.

Sustainability Investment (THSI)⁴ by the Stock Exchange of Thailand (<u>SET</u>)

Thailand Sustainability Investment (THSI) quantifies responsibility in Environmental, and Social issues, by managing business with transparency in Governance. The THSI serves as another choice for investors who desire to adopt a responsible investment approach, according to the SET.

Annually, the SET will announce the voluntary participation of the company candidates which pass the preemptive criteria, and whose two key crucial conditions are met, i.e. no irregular trading of the board members and executives and a free float of >150 by the number of shareholders, and combined holding must >15% of paid-up capital. Some key disqualifying criteria include a CG score of below 70%; independent directors and free float violation; executives' wrongdoing related to CG, social and environmental impacts, equity in negative territory, and earnings in the red for more than three years in the last five years. To become eligible for THSI, the candidate must pass three indicators in data declaration: Economic (CG, risk management, customer relation management, supply chain management, and innovation); Environmental (environmental management, eco-efficiency, and climate risk); Social (human rights, talent attraction, operational health & safety, community development, and stakeholder engagement); and the incorporation of ESG in business operations.

To be approved for THSI inclusion, verified data must be scored at a 50% minimum for each indicator, unless the company is a part of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against the nature of the relevant industry and materiality.

Note that, from the THSI list, the SET further developed a sustainability <u>SETTHSI Index</u> in June 2018 from selected THSI companies whose 1) market capitalisation > THB5b (~USD150b); 2) free float >20%; and 3) liquidity >0.5% of paid-up capital for at least 9 out of 12 months. The SETTHSI Index is a market capitalisation-weighted index, cap 5% quarterly weight at maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.

Sources: SEC; Thai IOD; Thai CAC; SET; FSSIA's compilation

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Thai Institute of Directors Association (<u>Thai IOD</u>) was established in December 1999 and is a membership organisation that strives to promote professionalism in directorship. The Thai IOD offers directors certification and professional development courses, provides a variety of seminars, forums and networking events, and conducts research on board governance issues and practices. Membership comprises board members from companies ranging from large publicly listed companies to small private firms.

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Thai Investors Association (TIA) was established in 1983 with a mission to promote investment knowledge and to protect the investment rights of Thai investors. In 2002, the association was appointed by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to represent individual shareholders. To obtain information for evaluation, the association recruits volunteer investors to join AGMs and score the meetings. Weightings for each meeting are at a 45:45:10 ratio. They have been applied since 2017 and subject to change.

Thai Private Sector Collective Action against Corruption (CAC) was founded in 2010 and is 100% privately funded. It is an initiative by the Thai private sector to take part in tackling corruption problems via collective action. The CAC promotes the implementation of effective anti-corruption policies in order to create a transparent business ecosystem by developing a unique certification program for large/medium/small companies to apply for and to control corruption risk systematically and efficiently. The CAC's operations are sponsored by the US-based Center for Private Enterprise (CIPE) and the UK Prosperity Fund.

Sustainability Investment List (THSI), created by the Stock Exchange of Thailand in 2015, comprises the listed companies that conduct sustainable business operations.

⁵ Dow Jones Sustainability Indices – Wikipedia – Launched in 1999, DJSI evaluates the sustainability performance of companies based on corporate economic, environmental, and social performance.

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BUY 20-Mar-2023 13.50

Sureeporn Teewasuwet started covering this stock from 20-Mar-2023

Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
R&B Food Supply	RBF TB	THB 10.20	BUY	Downside risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) a slower-than-expected consumption recovery; 2) high volatility in raw material costs; 3) a weaker THB than expected; and 4) a slower-than-expected India expansion.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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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