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3QFY23 results at first glance

AOT reported a core profit of THB3.3b in 3QFY23, in line with consensus estimate

Highlights

- AOT reported a core profit of THB3.3b for 3QFY23 (vs THB1.9b in 2QFY23), in line with Bloomberg's consensus estimate. However, the result was below our estimate by 8% due to lower-than-expected concession revenue.
- Including an impairment loss on assets and FX gain, 3QFY23 net profit was THB3.2b.
- Revenue grew 18% q-q as domestic and international passenger volumes improved to 80% and 71% of the pre-Covid levels, respectively (vs 80% and 60% in 2QFY23).
- Expenses increased by 2% q-q, while depreciation was flat q-q. The
 operating profit margin improved to 37% (vs 28% in 1QFY23), but
 was still lower than the pre-Covid level of 49% (2QFY19).
- 9MFY23 core profit of THB5.6b accounted for 56% of our FY23E core profit of THB10.1b.

Outlook

 We expect 4QFY23 operations to improve as international passenger traffic recovered to 77% of the pre-Covid level in July, and the momentum should accelerate in the high tourism season (Oct-Dec).

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Sep (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	16,560	46,683	76,220	84,982
Net profit	(11,088)	10,077	31,972	37,490
EPS (THB)	(0.78)	0.71	2.24	2.62
vs Consensus (%)	-	(7.4)	14.6	10.0
EBITDA	(1,400)	23,075	51,432	59,202
Recurring net profit	(10,173)	10,077	31,972	37,490
Core EPS (THB)	(0.71)	0.71	2.24	2.62
EPS growth (%)	nm	nm	217.3	17.3
Core P/E (x)	(100.1)	101.0	31.8	27.2
Dividend yield (%)	-	0.4	1.5	1.8
EV/EBITDA (x)	(769.4)	46.4	20.4	17.5
Price/book (x)	10.0	9.1	7.3	6.3
Net debt/Equity (%)	56.3	45.3	20.4	8.3
ROE (%)	(9.5)	9.5	25.5	25.0

TARGET PRICE

UP/DOWNSIDE

TP vs CONSENSUS

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Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	0.7	(3.1)	(1.7)
Relative to country (%)	(1.8)	(1.0)	3.9
Mkt cap (USD m)			29,024
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			38.2
Free float (%)			30
Major shareholder	Mini	istry of Fina	nce (70%)
12m high/low (THB)		7	6.50/66.00
Issued shares (m)			14,285.70

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



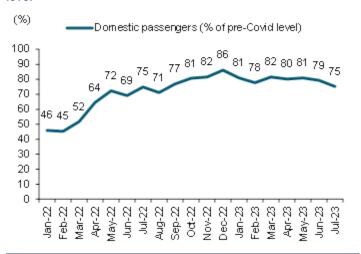
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Exhibit 1: AOT – 3QFY23 operations summary

	3QFY22	4QFY22	1QFY23	2QFY23	3QFY23	Chan	ge	FY23E
	(THB m)	(q-q %)	(y-y %)	(THB m)				
Sales	4,666	6,550	8,824	11,001	12,954	18	178	46,683
Expense (incl. depreciation)	(6,907)	(7,446)	(7,533)	(7,927)	(8,107)	2	17	(32,540)
Operating profit	(2,241)	(897)	1,291	3,074	4,847	58	(316)	14,143
Net other income	27	69	43	68	90	33	235	433
Interest income	9	6	5	5	7	51	(18)	21
Interest expense	(730)	(727)	(728)	(723)	(719)	(1)	(2)	(2,396)
Pretax profit	(2,935)	(1,549)	611	2,423	4,226	74	(244)	12,201
Income Tax	549	499	(116)	(432)	(822)	90	(250)	(2,074)
Associates	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(0)	(82)	(66)	
Minority interest	(6)	(7)	(59)	(71)	(151)	113	2,467	(50)
Core profit	(2,392)	(1,057)	436	1,920	3,253	69	(236)	10,077
Extraordinaries	(13)	(189)	(70)	(65)	(141)	117	1,015	0
Forex gain/(loss)	283	(135)	(15)	8	99	1,179	(65)	0
Derivative gain/(loss)	(85)	48	(8)	(2)	(55)	2,429	(35)	
Reported net profit	(2,207)	(1,333)	343	1,861	3,156	70	(243)	10,077
Shares (end Q, m)	14,286	14,286	14,286	14,286	14,287	0	0	14,286
Core EPS (THB)	(0.17)	(0.07)	0.03	0.13	0.23	69	(236)	0.71
EPS (THB)	(0.15)	(0.09)	0.02	0.13	0.22	70	(243)	0.71
Expenses (excl depreciation)	(4,723)	(5,175)	(5,310)	(5,761)	(5,937)	3	26	(23,608)
Depreciation	(2,184)	(2,271)	(2,223)	(2,166)	(2,170)	0	(1)	(8,932)
EBITDA	(57)	1,375	3,514	5,239	7,017	34	(12,308)	23,075
Key ratios	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)
Operating profit margin	(48)	(14)	15	28	37	9	85	30
EBITDA margin	(1)	21	40	48	54	7	55	49
Net profit margin	(47)	(20)	4	17	24	7	72	22
Operating stat	(y-y %)							
International pax growth	1,583	2,315	1,168	817	243			
Domestic pax growth	214	1,348	99	68	17			
Total pax growth	316	1,648	233	196	85			

Sources: AOT; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 2: Percentage of domestic passengers to pre-Covid level



Source: AOT Source: AOT

Exhibit 3: Percentage of international passengers to pre-Covid level



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Airports of Thailand

2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
7,086	16,560	46,683	76,220	84,982
(24,285)	(26,891)	(32,540)	(35,521)	(37,206)
(17,199)	(10,331)	14,143	40,700	47,776
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(8,172)	(1,400)	23,075	51,432	59,202
(9,027)	(8,932)	(8,932)	(10,732)	(11,425)
-	-	-	-	
(17,199)	(10,331)	14,143	40,700	47,776
(2,740)	(2,882)	(2,375)	(1,911)	(1,675)
0	0	(1)	(1)	(1)
397	265	433	445	459
(1,003)	(915)	0	0	0
(20,545)	(13,864)	12,201	39,234	46,560
4,173	2,888	(2,074)	(7,062)	(8,846)
(16,372)	(10,976)	10,127	32,172	37,714
50	(112)	(50)	(200)	(224)
-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	
(16,322)	(11,088)	10,077	31,972	37,490
1,003	915	0	0	0
(15,319)	(10,173)	10,077	31,972	37,490
(1.07)	(0.71)	0.71	2.24	2.62
(1.14)	(0.78)	0.71	2.24	2.62
0.00	0.00	0.30	1.10	1.30
14,286	14,286	14,286	14,286	14,286
(77.3)	133.7	181.9	63.3	11.5
nm	nm	nm	122.9	15.1
nm	nm	nm	187.8	17.4
nm	nm	nm	217.3	17.3
nm	nm	nm	217.3	17.3
(242.7)	(62.4)	30.3	53.4	56.2
(115.3)	(8.5)	49.4	67.5	69.7
(115.3)	(8.5)	49.4	67.5	69.7
(242.7)	(62.4)	30.3	53.4	56.2
(216.2)	(61.4)	21.6	41.9	44.1
21.4	22.3	17.0	18.0	19.0
-	-	42.5	49.1	49.5
(6.1)	(3.5)	6.1	21.5	28.8
7.7	6.5	6.0	6.7	6.7
176.7	81.8	29.6	18.1	16.3
32.8	20.2	18.9	21.0	21.1
(9.9)	(5.2)	7.7	21.3	23.7
(9.0)	(4.5)	7.1	19.3	21.5
(12.0)	(9.5)	9.5	25.5	25.0
(7.2)	(4.1)	5.6	12.6	13.4
2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
987	1,619	3,920	7,426	7,957
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Sources: Airports of Thailand; FSSIA estimates

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Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring net profit	(15,319)	(10,173)	10,077	31,972	37,490
epreciation	9,027	8,932	8,932	10,732	11,42
ssociates & minorities	(00.005)	(0.070)	- (440)	(000)	(000
ther non-cash items	(23,885)	(2,376)	(412)	(262)	(238
Change in working capital Cash flow from operations	(8,147) (38,323)	8,846 5,229	(292) 18,305	5,614 48,057	1,69 ⁻ 50,36 8
Capex - maintenance	(47,631)	(7,750)	(11,538)	(21,448)	(19,538
Capex - new investment	(47,001)	(1,130)	(11,000)	(21,440)	(13,550
Net acquisitions & disposals	33	(5)	0	0	(
Other investments (net)	-	-	-	-	
Cash flow from investing	(47,598)	(7,755)	(11,538)	(21,448)	(19,538
Dividends paid	(2,714)	(8)	0	(4,286)	(15,714
Equity finance	0	0	0	0	
Debt finance	52,941	(2,477)	50,415	(6,000)	(6,000
Other financing cash flows	616	329	0	0	(
Cash flow from financing	50,843	(2,156)	50,415	(10,286)	(21,714
Non-recurring cash flows	-	-	-	-	
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
Net other adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
Movement in cash	(35,079)	(4,681)	57,182	16,323	9,110
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	(82,948.56)	404.45	9,162.38	28,859.27	32,936.08
ree cash flow to equity (FCFE)	(32,364.70)	(4,673.07)	57,181.54	20,608.27	24,829.95
Per share (THB)					
FCFF per share	(5.81)	0.03	0.64	2.02	2.3
FCFE per share	(2.27)	(0.33)	4.00	1.44	1.74
Recurring cash flow per share	(2.11)	(0.25)	1.30	2.97	3.4
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Sep	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Fangible fixed assets (gross)	282,931	290,774	302,774	324,684	344,684
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(125,184)	(133,776)	(142,708)	(153,440)	(164,865
Tangible fixed assets (net)	157,747	156,998	160,066	171,244	179,819
ntangible fixed assets (net)	0	0	0	0	,
ong-term financial assets	-	-	-	-	
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	689	694	694	694	694
Cash & equivalents	8,479	3,798	60,979	77,302	86,417
VC receivable	3,637	3,785	3,785	3,785	3,78
nventories	307	338	444	466	484
Other current assets	9,077	556	7,182	11,726	13,074
Current assets	21,499	8,476	72,390	93,279	103,76
Other assets	15,150	17,645	17,645	17,645	17,64
Total assets	195,086	183,813	250,795	282,862	301,919
Common equity	112,344	101,324	111,401	139,087	160,86
Minorities etc.	1,078	1,195	1,245	1,445	1,669
Total shareholders' equity	113,421	102,519	112,645	140,532	162,53
Long term debt	60,848	57,991	107,872	101,872	95,87
Other long-term liabilities	7,206	8,808	8,808	8,808	8,80
Long-term liabilities	68,054 930	66,799	116,680	110,680	104,68
A/C payable Short term debt	3,186	1,056 3,566	1,389 4,100	1,458 4,100	1,516 4,100
Other current liabilities	9,495	9,873	15,981	26,092	29,09
Current liabilities	13,610	14,495	21,469	31,650	34,70
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	195,086	183,813	250,795	282,862	301,91
Net working capital	2,596	(6,251)	(5,959)	(11,573)	(13,264
nvested capital	176,183	169,086	172,446	178,010	184,89
Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is be	eing treated as debt				
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	7.86	7.09	7.80	9.74	11.20
angible book value per share	7.86	7.09	7.80	9.74	11.2
Financial strength	7.00	7.00	7.00	0.74	11.2
let debt/equity (%)	49.0	56.3	45.3	20.4	8.
Net debt/total assets (%)	28.5	31.4	20.3	10.1	4.
Current ratio (x)	1.6	0.6	3.4	2.9	3.
CF interest cover (x)	(10.8)	(0.6)	25.1	11.8	15.
aluation	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
Recurring P/E (x) *	(66.4)	(100.1)	101.0	31.8	27.
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	(79.3)	(119.4)	120.5	38.0	32.
Reported P/E (x)	(62.4)	(91.8)	101.0	31.8	27.
Dividend yield (%)	-	- 40.0	0.4	1.5	1.
Price/book (x)	9.1	10.0	9.1	7.3	6.
Price/tangible book (x)	9.1	10.0	9.1 46.4	7.3	6. 17
EV/EBITDA (x) ** EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	(131.5) (155.5)	(769.4) (909.7)	46.4 54.9	20.4 24.2	17. 20.
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EV/invested capital (x)	6.1	6.4			

Sources: Airports of Thailand; FSSIA estimates

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The Checklist 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 <u>E</u>nvironmental, and <u>S</u>ocial issues, by managing business with transparency in <u>G</u>overnance. 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 Indices⁵ (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 SETTHSI Index 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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⁴ 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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History of change in investment rating and/or target price



Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price
10-Sep-2020	BUY	70.00	09-Jun-2021	BUY	82.00	26-Nov-2021	BUY	79.00
11-Feb-2021	BUY	85.00	13-Aug-2021	BUY	80.00	02-Jun-2022	BUY	85.00

Teerapol Udomvej, CFA started covering this stock from 10-Sep-2020

Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Airports of Thailand	AOT TB	THB 71.25	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based target price include 1) a slowdown in the recovery of international passengers; 2) delays in the Suvarnabhumi Airport expansions (satellite terminal and northern expansion); and 3) the termination of the duty-free concession contracts from King Power.

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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All share prices are as at market close on 11-Aug-2023 unless otherwise stated.

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.

Neutral (N). Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on one 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.

Underweight (U). Over the next 12 months, the analyst does not expect the market to score positively on any 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.