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Unexciting 2H23 before recovery in 1Q24

- We expect SAPPE's 3Q23 net profit to be flat q-q and jump y-y before weakening in 4Q23.
- SAPPE will begin to operate its new production lines in 2Q24, which would support its 2024 revenue target (+25% y-y).
- Although there are no short-term catalysts, we retain our BUY rating to wait for a recovery in 1H24.

3Q23 profit should steady q-q and surge y-y

We expect SAPPE's 3Q23 net profit at Bt316mn (+1.2% q-q, +76.5% y-y), a new high close to 2Q23 but generally unexciting. Revenue should be flat q-q amid mixed export performance, with q-q growth in some countries and contraction in others after heavy stocking earlier. Although the gross margin should widen by 50 bps q-q due to weak Baht and lower pet resin costs, higher expenses due to new product launches and overseas expenses would offset it. Also, since the Baht weakened, we anticipate an FX loss of about Bt15-17mn and a flat net profit on a q-q basis.

4Q23 profit likely to decrease to this year's trough due to seasonality

Assuming in-line 3Q23 profit, SAPPE's 9M23 net profit would equal Bt903mn (+81% y-y). The 4Q23 profit should weaken q-q in line with seasonality. Our initial profit estimate is Bt220-250mn. Also, the 2023 revenue should hit its growth target of 30%-35% y-y. The management sets its preliminary 2024 revenue growth target at no less than 25% y-y. It is expanding its production capacity by 25% by adding machinery to a production line, which should be completed by 1Q24 and begin operating in 2Q24. Hence, we expect a higher y-y profit growth from 2Q24 onwards.

Maintain continued revenue growth target for 2024 amid more challenging gross margin

In 2024, growth would come mainly from exports, particularly to Europe (U.K.), the U.S., and the Middle East. Asia may see a one-digit growth rate due to its high base. Retaining the gross margin above 43%-44% in 2023 would be a challenge, depending on the instant utilization of its new capacity to catch up with additional depreciation. Also, there is a headwind from higher sugar prices. Note the cost of sugar (mainly from Quota Kor, which is for exports) represents 6% of its total costs. As a result, every 10% increase in sugar prices would affect SAPPE's profit by 1.5%. Since sugar factories are selling advanced contracts at 25 cents per pound (+20% y-y), assuming everything remains unchanged, it would affect SAPPE's profit by about 3%.

No short-term catalyst; Expect profit recovery in 1Q24

We maintain our 2023-24E net profit growth of 82% y-y and 11.7% y-y, respectively, and our 2023 TP of Bt96.5 (25x PE, unchanged). Although there may be no short-term catalysts in 2H23 because it is a low season, the stock has decreased by 17% in the past month to reflect such a factor. Also, we anticipate growth next year. Hence, we retain our BUY rating on SAPPE.



BUY

UNCHANGED

TARGET PRICE THB96.50
CLOSE THB83.25
UP/DOWNSIDE +15.9%
PRIOR TP THB96.50
CHANGE IN TP UNCHANGED
TP vs CONSENSUS -8.4%

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	4,566	6,281	6,998	7,750
Net profit	653	1,191	1,331	1,475
EPS (THB)	2.12	3.86	4.31	4.78
vs Consensus (%)	-	7.8	3.4	(0.3)
EBITDA	1,018	1,665	1,870	2,067
Recurring net profit	666	1,191	1,331	1,475
Core EPS (THB)	2.16	3.86	4.31	4.78
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-
EPS growth (%)	59.5	78.9	11.7	10.9
Core P/E (x)	38.6	21.6	19.3	17.4
Dividend yield (%)	2.0	3.5	3.9	4.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	23.3	14.6	13.1	11.7
Price/book (x)	7.9	7.2	6.6	6.0
Net debt/Equity (%)	(60.9)	(39.8)	(34.6)	(36.5)
ROE (%)	21.6	34.9	35.7	36.2



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Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	(8.5)	2.5	99.4
Relative to country (%)	(2.8)	4.8	115.7
Mkt cap (USD m)			694
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			2.6
Free float (%)			25
Major shareholder	Ruckari	iyapong Fa	mily (68%)
12m high/low (THB)		10	0.00/37.00
Issued shares (m)			308.29

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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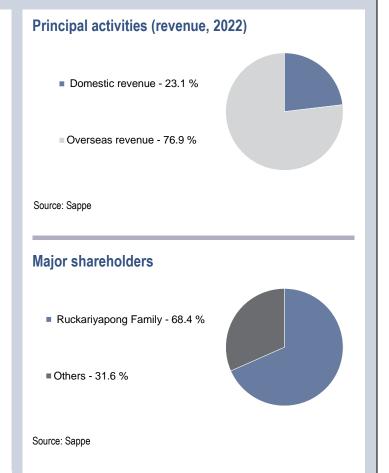
Investment thesis

SAPPE is well known as a leader in innovative and functional drinks in Thailand, some of which are made from Thai agricultural products, including Mogu Mogu, Sappe Aloe Vera, and All Coco. A strong global brand, its products are distributed in 98 countries via both modern trade and traditional stores.

Company profile

SAPPE is a manufacturer and distributor of beverages targeting health and beauty-conscious consumers. A leading company in Thailand's functional drink market, it currently has 12 successful brands in five categories, including the popular Sappe Beauti Drink brand. In 2022, 76.9% of SAPPE's revenue came from overseas sales and domestic sales accounted for 23.1%.

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Catalysts

Potential catalysts for SAPPE's earnings growth in 2023 include 1) revenue growth driven by rising sales volumes; 2) declining packaging costs; 3) successful expansion into new markets; and 4) successful new product launches.

Risks to our call

Downside risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) a slower-thanexpected recovery in consumption; 2) high volatility in packaging costs; 3) a stronger-than-expected THB; and 4) increased competition and government policy changes such as excise taxes for sugary drinks.

Event calendar

Date	Event
November 2023	3Q23 results announcement
	3Q23 analyst meeting

Key assumptions

	2023E	2024E	2025E
Domestic revenue (THB m)	1,143	1,261	1,395
Overseas revenue (THB m)	5,137	5,737	6,355
Total revenue (THB m)	6,281	6,998	7,750
Total revenue growth (%)	37.5	11.4	10.7
Gross margin (%)	43.5	43.5	43.5
SG&A to sales (%)	22.0	22.0	22.0

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 2.9%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.5% increase in SG&A, we estimate 2023 net profit to fall by 2.8%, and vice versa, all else being equal.

Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 1: 3Q23 earnings preview

	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23E	Cha	nge	9M22	9M23E	Change
	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(y-y%)				
Sales	1,279	1,032	1,520	1,657	1,673	1.0	30.8	3,535	4,851	37.2
Cost of sales	756	612	864	920	920	0.1	21.8	2,091	2,704	29.3
Gross profit	524	420	656	737	753	2.2	43.8	1,444	2,147	48.7
SG&A	352	284	354	352	368	4.6	4.7	1,082	1,075	(0.7)
Operating profit	249	171	337	421	420	(0.2)	68.3	660	1,177	78.5
Other income	77	35	35	36	35	(2.3)	(54.7)	298	105	(64.6)
Interest expense	0.53	0.62	0.71	0.64	0.60	(6.1)	13.0	2	2	16.5
Tax expense	45	40	67	81	83	2.1	86.1	122	231	90.3
Profit (loss) sharing	(0)	(1)	(1)	(11)	(5)	nm	nm	1	(17)	nm
Reported net profit	179	154	275	312	316	1.2	76.5	500	903	80.7
Core profit	204	131	280	329	333	1.1	63.5	534	942	76.3
Key ratios (%)						(ppt)	(ppt)			
Gross margin	40.9	40.7	43.2	44.5	45.0	0.5	4.1	40.9	44.3	3.4
SG&A to sales	27.5	27.5	23.3	21.3	22.0	0.7	(5.5)	30.6	22.2	(8.5)
Operating margin	19.5	16.6	22.1	25.4	25.1	(0.3)	5.6	18.7	24.3	5.6
Net margin	14.0	14.9	18.1	18.8	18.9	0.0	4.9	14.1	18.6	4.5
Core margin	15.9	12.7	18.4	19.9	19.9	0.0	4.0	15.1	19.4	4.3
Operating statistics (THB m)										
Domestic revenue	268	267	295	283	298	(4.0)	8.2	780	876	12.3
Overseas revenue	1,012	765	1,226	1,374	1,375	12.1	40.9	2,755	3,975	44.3

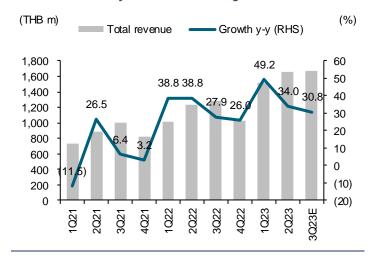
Sources: SAPPE, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 2: Key assumptions for SAPPE

	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(%)	(%)	(%)
Total sale value (THB m)	6,281	6,998	7,750	37.5	11.4	10.7
Costs	3,549	3,954	4,379	31.3	11.4	10.7
Gross profit	2,732	3,044	3,371	46.6	11.4	10.7
SG&A expense	1,382	1,540	1,705	1.1	11.4	10.7
Interest expense	3	3	2	9.4	28.0	(37.5)
Reported net profit	1,191	1,331	1,475	82.3	11.7	10.9
Core profit	1,191	1,331	1,475	78.9	11.7	10.9
Key ratios (%)						
Gross margin	43.5	43.5	43.5	2.7	0.0	0.0
SG&A to sales	22.0	22.0	22.0	(7.9)	0.0	0.0
Net margin	19.0	19.0	19.0	4.7	0.1	0.0
Core margin	19.0	19.0	19.0	4.4	0.1	0.0
Operating statistics						
Domestic revenue (THB m)	1,143	1,261	1,395	8.4	10.3	10.6
Overseas revenue (THB m)	5,137	5,737	6,355	46.3	11.7	10.8
Domestic revenue portion (%)	18.2	18.0	18.0	(4.9)	(0.2)	(0.0)
Overseas revenue portion (%)	81.8	82.0	82.0	4.9	0.2	0.0

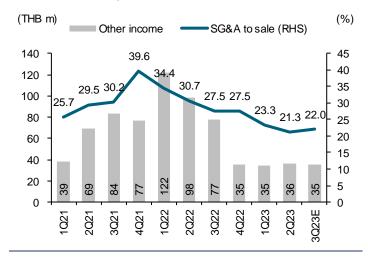
Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 3: Quarterly total revenue and growth



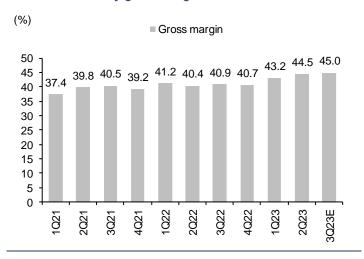
Sources: SAPPE, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 5: Quarterly SG&A to sales



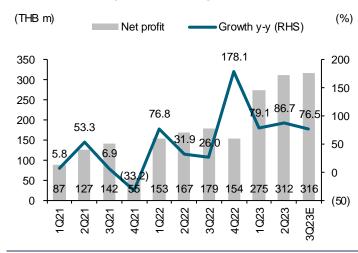
Sources: SAPPE, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 4: Quarterly gross margin



Sources: SAPPE, FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 6: Quarterly net profit and growth



Sources: SAPPE, FSSIA estimates

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Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	3,444	4,566	6,281	6,998	7,750
Cost of goods sold	(2,089)	(2,703)	(3,549)	(3,954)	(4,379)
Gross profit	1,355	1,863	2,732	3,044	3,371
Other operating income	269	333	88	98	109
Operating costs	(1,078)	(1,366)	(1,382)	(1,540)	(1,705)
Operating EBITDA	743	1,018	1,665	1,870	2,067
Depreciation	(198)	(187)	(227)	(267)	(292)
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	0
Operating EBIT	546	830	1,438	1,603	1,775
Net financing costs	(3)	(2)	(3)	(3)	(2)
Associates	(20)	Ô	(2)	3	3
Recurring non-operating income	(20)	0	(2)	3	3
Non-recurring items	(7)	(12)	Ó	0	0
Profit before tax	516	816	1,433	1,602	1,776
Tax	(106)	(162)	(287)	(320)	(355)
Profit after tax	410	654	1,147	1,282	1,421
Minority interests	1	(1)	44	49	54
Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0	0
Other items	-	-	-	-	
Reported net profit	411	653	1,191	1,331	1,475
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	7	12	0	0	1,470
Recurring net profit	417	666	1,191	1,331	1,475
	417		1,191	1,331	1,473
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	1.35	2.16	3.86	4.31	4.78
Reported EPS	1.34	2.12	3.86	4.31	4.78
DPS	1.10	1.65	2.90	3.24	3.59
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	308	308	308	308	308
Growth					
Revenue (%)	5.4	32.6	37.5	11.4	10.7
Operating EBITDA (%)	5.3	36.9	63.7	12.3	10.5
Operating EBIT (%)	8.3	52.2	73.2	11.4	10.7
Recurring EPS (%)	8.9	59.5	78.9	11.7	10.9
Reported EPS (%)	7.5	57.8	82.3	11.7	10.9
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	39.3	40.8	43.5	43.5	43.5
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	45.1	44.9	47.1	47.3	47.3
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	21.6	22.3	26.5	26.7	26.7
Operating EBIT margin (%)	15.8	18.2	22.9	22.9	22.9
Net margin (%)	12.1	14.6	19.0	19.0	19.0
Effective tax rate (%)	20.5	19.8	20.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	81.3	76.5	75.0	75.0	75.0
Interest cover (X)	208.9	363.6	574.4	501.6	889.0
Inventory days	49.4	53.3	45.8	38.0	35.7
Debtor days	41.1	26.6	31.9	40.2	38.1
Creditor days	38.5	29.8	31.3	35.6	35.7
Operating ROIC (%)	38.4	63.7	79.1	61.6	60.1
ROIC (%)	30.3	48.3	63.2	52.2	51.7
ROE (%)	14.7	21.6	34.9	35.7	36.2
ROA (%)	11.2	15.9	24.3	25.0	25.3
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted	11.2	10.9	24.3	20.0	20.3
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
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Domestic revenue	1,210	1,055	1,143	1,261	1,395
Overseas revenue	2,234	3,511	5,137	5,737	6,355

Sources: Sappe; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

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Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
Recurring net profit	417	666	1,191	1,331	1,47
Depreciation	198	187	227	267	29
ssociates & minorities	20	0	2	(3)	(3
Other non-cash items	(1)	1	26	12	1
Change in working capital	96	191	(341)	145	
Cash flow from operations	731	1,045	1,105	1,752	1,78
Capex - maintenance	(4.40)	(0.00)	(707)	(000)	/455
Capex - new investment	(140)	(302)	(797)	(820)	(455
let acquisitions & disposals	7 (4.00)	6	0	0	/6
Other investments (net)	(163)	(41)	(47)	(7)	(8
Cash flow from investing	(296)	(338)	(844)	(827)	(463
Dividends paid	(310) 47	(348) 63	(893)	(998) 0	(1,106
equity finance Debt finance	(34)	0	(2) 28	(8)	
Other financing cash flows	(34)	25	(38)	(6)	
Cash flow from financing	(291)	(259)	(905)	(1,003)	(1,099
lon-recurring cash flows	(201)	(200)	(555)	(1,000)	(1,000
Other adjustments	0	0	70	0	
let other adjustments	0	(73)	70	0	
Novement in cash	144	375	(574)	(78)	21
ree cash flow to firm (FCFF)	437.25	709.65	263.35	927.95	1,320.8
ree cash flow to equity (FCFE)	407.22	659.24	321.50	919.99	1,325.6
er share (THB)					
CFF per share	1.42	2.30	0.85	3.01	4.2
CFE per share	1.32	2.14	1.04	2.98	4.3
Recurring cash flow per share	2.07	2.77	4.69	5.21	5.7
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
angible fixed assets (gross)	2,268	2,530	3,330	4,130	4,63
ess: Accumulated depreciation	(1,262)	(1,398)	(1,625)	(1,892)	(2,184
angible fixed assets (net)	1,006 134	1,132 128	1,705 128	2,238 128	2,44 12
ntangible fixed assets (net) ong-term financial assets	134	120	120	120	12
ong-term mancial assets ovest. in associates & subsidiaries	156	186	184	186	18
Cash & equivalents	1,754	2,129	1,555	1,477	1,69
/C receivable	430	459	839	852	88
nventories	291	444	389	379	42
Other current assets	50	47	38	35	3
Current assets	2,524	3,079	2,821	2,743	3,04
Other assets	29	36	63	70	7
otal assets	3,848	4,561	4,900	5,365	5,88
Common equity	2,906	3,258	3,556	3,889	4,25
finorities etc.	101	102	128	140	15
otal shareholders' equity	3,006	3,360	3,684	4,029	4,41
ong term debt	52	61	56	48	5
Other long-term liabilities	45	70	31	35	3
ong-term liabilities	96	130	88	83	9
VC payable	181	230	340	379	42
Short term debt	21	21	34	34	3
Other current liabilities	543	820	754	840	93
Current liabilities	745	1,071	1,128	1,253	1,38
otal liabilities and shareholders' equity	3,848	4,561	4,900	5,365	5,88
Net working capital	46	(99)	172	47	(2
nvested capital	1,371	1,383	2,251	2,669	2,83
Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is being	j irealed as debi				
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	9.49	10.56	11.53	12.61	13.8
angible book value per share	9.05	10.15	11.11	12.19	13.3
inancial strength	/=: ··			/= . ··	
let debt/equity (%)	(55.9)	(60.9)	(39.8)	(34.6)	(36.5
let debt/total assets (%)	(43.7)	(44.9)	(29.9)	(26.0)	(27.4
Current ratio (x)	3.4	2.9	2.5	2.2	2.
CF interest cover (x)	218.4	421.9	448.5	544.7	891.
/aluation	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
ecurring P/E (x) *	61.5	38.6	21.6	19.3	17.
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	71.3	44.7	25.0	22.4	20
Reported P/E (x)	62.0	39.3	21.6	19.3	17
•	1.3	2.0	3.5	3.9	4
Dividend yield (%)			7.0	6.6	6
Dividend yield (%)	8.8	7.9	7.2	0.0	·
Dividend yield (%) Price/book (x) Price/tangible book (x)	8.8 9.2	8.2	7.5	6.8	6
Dividend yield (%) Price/book (x)	8.8				
Dividend yield (%) Price/book (x) Price/tangible book (x)	8.8 9.2	8.2	7.5	6.8	6

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

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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).

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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 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 (SET)

Thailand Sustainability Investment (THSI) quantifies responsibility in <u>Environmental</u>, and <u>Social</u> issues, by managing business with transparency in <u>Governance</u>. 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 <u>THSI list</u>, 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: <u>SEC</u>; <u>Thai IOD</u>; <u>Thai CAC</u>; <u>SET</u>; FSSIA's compilation

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¹ Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD) 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.

² Thai Investors Association (<u>TIA</u>) 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.

³ Thai Private Sector Collective Action against Corruption (<u>CAC</u>) 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.

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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Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price	Date	Rating	Target price
09-Mar-2023 05-Apr-2023	BUY BUY	62.00 68.00	23-May-2023 11-Jul-2023	BUY BUY	88.00 96.50	-	-	

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Price and TP are in local currency

Source: FSSIA estimates

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Sappe	SAPPE TB	THB 83.25	BUY	Downside risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) a slower-than-expected recovery in consumption; 2) high volatility in packaging costs; 3) a stronger-than-expected THB; and 4) increased competition and government policy changes such as excise taxes for sugary drinks.

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.

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.

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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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