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High Season & Stimulus Packages

- Management guided SSSG that would equal GDP growth + inflation.
- We have cut our 2023-25E core profit by 8-14% to reflect fierce competition, pressuring retail gross margin.
- We have slashed our 2024 TP to THB35 but retain our BUY call.

3Q23 core profit increased q-q and y-y due to higher sales and lower interest expenses

CPAXT reported a 3Q23 net profit of THB1,677m (+11% q-q, +5% y-y). Excluding a loss of THB39m from asset sales in China, the core profit equaled THB1,716m (+1% q-q, +7% y-y) due to higher wholesale and retail sales and lower interest expenses.

Our more conservative forecast than management reflects persistently fierce competition

Management guided a 2024 SSSG that would equal GDP growth plus inflation. It targeted wholesale and retail gross margin growth of 20 bps y-y and 100 bps y-y, respectively, from increasing the private brand mix to 25% by 2028 (from 15% of consolidated sales in 9M23). Also, it aimed for Lotus's to become a fresh destination, with a fresh food mix of 35-40% of sales by 2028 (from 27% in 3Q23).

Cut 2023-25E normalized earnings by 8-14% to factor in lowerthan-expected retail gross margin

We have slashed our 2023-25E core profit by 8-14% to incorporate a lower retail gross margin estimate, reflecting fierce competition and a lower store expansion assumption in tandem with the target. In 4Q23, we believe the profit will grow q-q and y-y as CPAXT enters a high season, particularly in tourist destinations. Also, 4QTD wholesale and retail SSSG improved to 4% and 5%, respectively.

Slash our TP to THB35 but retain our BUY rating

After our estimate cut, we also slashed our 2024 TP to THB35 (from THB38), equaling an implied forward P/E of 37x. However, the 2024 core profit would jump by 22% y-y, in our view, due to the stimulus packages and lower interest and utility expenses. CPAXT is trading at a forward P/E of 31x, close to its five-year average forward P/E -1SD. Hence, we retain our BUY call on CPAXT.



BUY

UNCHANGE

TARGET PRICE	THB35.00
CLOSE	THB29.50
UP/DOWNSIDE	+18.6%
PRIOR TP	THB38.00
CHANGE IN TP	-7.9%
TP vs CONSENSUS	-0.5%

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	466,082	485,169	509,925	537,324
Net profit	7,697	8,084	10,022	11,855
EPS (THB)	0.73	0.76	0.95	1.12
vs Consensus (%)	-	(6.4)	(11.5)	(10.5)
EBITDA	34,252	33,639	36,421	38,694
Recurring net profit	7,697	8,084	10,022	11,855
Core EPS (THB)	0.73	0.76	0.95	1.12
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	(9.5)	(9.9)	(14.2)
EPS growth (%)	10.4	5.0	24.0	18.3
Core P/E (x)	40.6	38.6	31.1	26.3
Dividend yield (%)	1.7	1.8	2.2	2.7
EV/EBITDA (x)	11.3	11.2	10.5	9.9
Price/book (x)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0
Net debt/Equity (%)	25.7	21.9	23.6	23.1
ROE (%)	2.7	2.8	3.4	4.0



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month		
Absolute (%)	(8.0)	(15.7)	(19.2)		
Relative to country (%)	0.4	(9.0)	(7.8)		
Mkt cap (USD m)			8,901		
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)		8.0			
Free float (%)			15		
Major shareholder		CP ALL (60%)			
12m high/low (THB)		4	3.50/26.00		
Issued shares (m)			10,580.32		

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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Investment thesis

CPAXT's strong presence in business-to-business (B2B) grocery wholesaling is coupled with Lotus's business-to-consumer (B2C) grocery retailing and consumer-centric brand in Southeast Asia. After its acquisition of Lotus's, CPAXT has become one of the leading players in grocery retailing and wholesaling in Asia (ex-Japan). In 2023-25, we forecast its revenue to grow at a c7% CAGR to reach THB572b in 2025, while its core profit should grow at a 21.5% CAGR to reach THB14b in 2025 from 1) a domestic consumption and tourism recovery; 2) synergies between Makro and Lotus's; 3) the O2O strategy targeting a 15-20% sales proportion within three years; and 4) restructuring its debt profile to mitigate the impact from interest rate hikes.

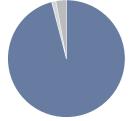
Company profile

Siam Makro Public Company Limited was established in 1988 to operate wholesale businesses throughout Thailand and overseas under the name Makro, selling food and non-food products to registered members, predominantly small and medium-sized businesses, retailers, caterers, professional sectors, and institutions. It also operates a food service that imports and trades frozen and chilled foods, and restaurants and minimarts. In addition, its subsidiaries operate retail businesses and provide mall rental services.

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Principal activities (revenue, 2022)

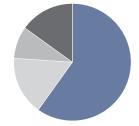
- Sales 95.9 %
- Service income 1.2 %
- Rental and rendering retail services - 2.9 %



Source: CP Axtra

Major shareholders

- CP ALL 59.9 %
- Charoen Pokphand Holdings 16.2 %
- CP Merchandising 8.9 %
- Others 15.1 %



Source: CP Axtra

Catalysts

Potential catalysts for CPAXT include: 1) a faster-thanexpected domestic consumption and tourism recovery; and 2) a speedy turnaround for Lotus's.

Risks to our call

The key downside risks to our DCF-based TP include: 1) lower-than-expected SSSG; 2) a lower-than-expected GPM improvement; and 3) operational losses from its overseas business.

Event calendar

Date	Event
March 2024	4Q23 results announcement

Key assumptions

MAKRO	2023E	2024E	2025E
SSSG MAKRO (%)	6.0	3.0	3.0
SSSG Lotus-TH (%)	(0.5)	3.0	3.0
SSSG Lotus-ML (%)	(1.0)	1.0	3.0
New stores growth (%)	(3.8)	4.6	4.4
GPM (%)	16.1	16.2	16.3
SG&A to sales (%)	13.5	13.4	13.3

Source: FSSIA estimates

Earnings sensitivity

- For every 1% increase in SSSG, we estimate 2024 EPS to rise by 0.9% and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.1% increase in GPM, we estimate 2024 EPS to rise by 3.8% and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.1% increase in SG&A to revenue, we estimate 2024 EPS to fall by 3.9% and vice versa, all else being equal.

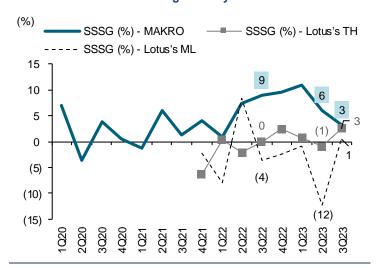
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Exhibit 1: 3Q23 results summary

	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	Cha	nge		- 9M23		2023E	Change
Year to Dec 31	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(y-y%)	(%23E)	(THB m)	(y-y %)				
Total revenue	114,963	121,995	119,089	120,909	118,837	(2)	3	358,835	4	74	485,169	4
- Retail sales	110,162	117,389	114,044	115,980	113,838	(2)	3	343,863	4	74	464,893	4
- Service income	1,354	1,165	1,487	1,445	1,405	(3)	4	4,336	2	73	5,955	10
- Rental and rendering retail services	3,447	3,952	3,558	3,484	3,594	3	4	10,636	12	74	14,322	6
Gross profit	19,232	20,332	19,473	19,001	18,930	(0)	(2)	57,405	2	73	78,252	2
Operating costs	(16,031)	(16,419)	(16,106)	(16,306)	(16,263)	(0)	1	(48,676)	5	74	(65,371)	4
Operating profit	3,201	3,913	3,367	2,695	2,667	(1)	(17)	8,729	(10)	68	12,880	(6)
Other income	597	1,386	1,133	703	665	(5)	11	2,501	50	77	3,257	7
EBIT	3,798	5,299	4,500	3,398	3,332	(2)	(12)	11,230	n/a	70	16,138	(3)
Interest expense	(1,826)	(2,204)	(1,895)	(1,570)	(1,403)	(11)	(23)	(4,868)	(1)	77	(6,294)	(12)
Profit before tax	1,972	3,095	2,605	1,828	1,929	6	(2)	6,362	(2)	65	9,843	3
Tax	(603)	(810)	(647)	(527)	(448)	(15)	(26)	(1,622)	(15)	66	(2,461)	(10)
Associates	230	175	193	201	185	(8)	(20)	579	(12)	74	787	(5)
Minority interests	3	11	15	14	11	(19)	231	40	837	78	51	239
Non-recurring items	0	(225)	87	(185)	(39)	(79)	n/a	(137)	n/a	100	(137)	0
Reported net profit	1,602	2,471	2,166	1,516	1,677	11	5	5,358	3	66	8,084	5
Recurring net profit	1,602	2,696	2,079	1,701	1,716	1	7	5,495	5	67	8,221	7
EPS (THB)	0.15	0.23	0.20	0.14	0.16	11	5	0.51	3	66	0.76	5
Recurring EPS (THB)	0.15	0.25	0.20	0.16	0.16	1	7	0.52	5	67	0.78	7
Key Ratios (%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)	(%)	(ppt)		(%)	(ppt)
Gross profit margin from sales	14.5	14.2	14.0	13.5	13.7	0.2	(0.8)	13.7	(0.5)		13.9	(0.3)
Gross profit margin	16.7	16.6	16.4	15.7	15.9	0.2	(0.8)	16.0	(0.3)		16.1	(0.3)
Operating margin	2.8	3.2	2.8	2.2	2.2	0.0	(0.5)	2.4	(0.4)		2.7	(0.3)
Recurring net margin	1.4	2.2	1.7	1.4	1.4	0.0	0.1	1.5	0.0		1.7	0.0
SG&A / Revenue	13.9	13.3	13.4	13.4	13.6	0.2	(0.3)	13.5	(0.6)		13.4	(0.7)
Operating statistics	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)				(%)	(ppt)
SSSG (%) - MAKRO	8.9	9.6	10.9	6.0	3.2	(2.8)	(5.7)				6.0	(0.9)
SSSG (%) - Lotus's TH	0.0	2.4	0.8	(0.9)	2.5	3.4	2.5				(0.5)	(0.7)
SSSG (%) - Lotus's ML	(3.7)	(2.4)	(0.9)	(12.2)	0.6	12.8	4.3				(1.0)	0.8
No. of stores (Wholesales) (no.)	154	162	163	163	164						170	
No. of stores (Lotus) (no.)	2,644	2,643	2,654	2,565	2,525						2,528	

 $Sources_{:}\,CPAXT;\,FSSIA\,\,estimates$

Exhibit 2: Same-store sales growth by business unit



Source: CPAXT Source: CPAXT

Exhibit 3: Number of stores

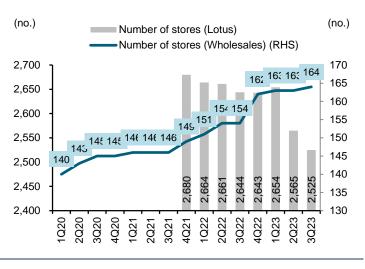


Exhibit 4: Quarterly earnings

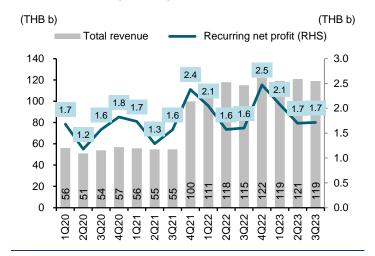
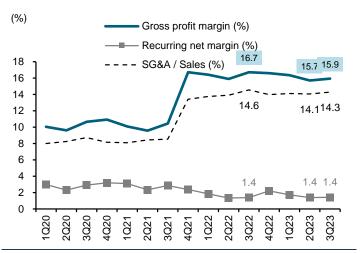


Exhibit 5: Profitability



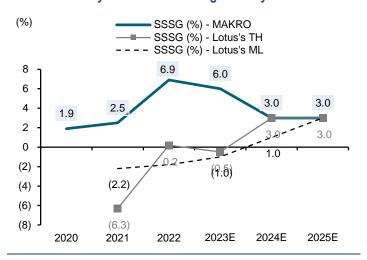
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Exhibit 6: Key assumption for CPAXT

		- Current			Previous		Change			
	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E	2023E	2024E	2025E	
Retail sales (THB m)	485,169	509,925	537,324	508,344	545,268	589,262	(4.6)	(6.5)	(8.8)	
SSSG MAKRO (%)	6.0	3.0	3.0	6.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
SSSG Lotus-TH (%)	(0.5)	3.0	3.0	(0.5)	2.0	3.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	
SSSG Lotus-ML (%)	(1.0)	1.0	3.0	(1.0)	1.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
New stores growth - MAKRO (%)	4.9	4.7	4.5	9.9	6.7	5.8	(5)	(2)	(1)	
New stores growth - Lotus's (%)	(4.4)	4.5	4.4	4.7	4.2	3.9	(9)	0	0	
Gross margin (%)	16.1	16.2	16.3	16.5	16.6	16.7	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.3)	
Gross margin - MAKRO (%)	10.7	10.8	10.9	10.6	10.7	10.9	0.1	0.1	0.0	
Gross margin - Lotus's (%)	18.0	18.3	18.4	18.3	18.5	18.6	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.2)	
SG&A expenses to total revenues (%)	13.4	13.3	13.2	13.7	13.5	13.2	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.1)	
Core profit (THB m)	8,221	10,022	11,855	8,933	11,126	13,810	(8.0)	(9.9)	(14.2)	

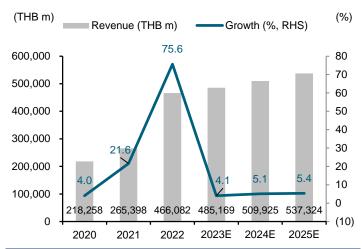
Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 7: Yearly Same-store sales growth by business unit



Sources: CPAXT; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 8: Yearly revenue



Sources: CPAXT; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 9: Yearly earnings

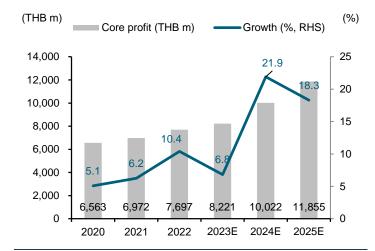
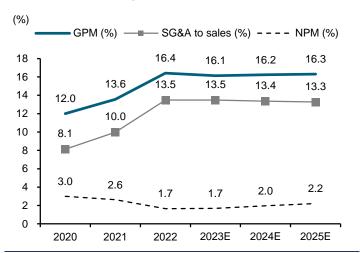


Exhibit 10: Profitability



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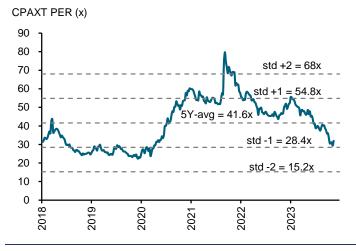
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Exhibit 11: 2024 DCF-based valuation

DCF-derived TP	(%)	(THB b)
Discount rate (WACC)	7.1	
Terminal growth	2.0	
NPV		85
Add: terminal value		358
Sum of PV		443
Add: investment		0
Less: debt		70
Less: minorities		0.5
Residual ordinary equity		372
No. of shares (m)		10,580
Residual ordinary equity (THB/share)		35.0

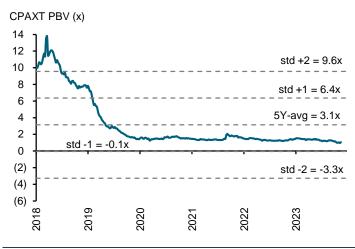
Sources: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 12: Rolling one-year forward P/E band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 13: Rolling one-year forward P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 14: Commerce peers as of 17 November 2023

Company	BBG	Rec	S	hare price)	Market	F	'E	R	0E	PI	3V	EV/ EB	ITDA
			Current	Target	Upside	Сар	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E
			(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(USD m)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)
Consumer Staple														
CP All	CPALL TB	BUY	56.75	77.00	36	14,538	30.3	25.4	16.0	17.5	5.1	4.6	21.1	18.2
CP Axtra	CPAXT TB	BUY	29.50	35.00	19	8,901	38.6	31.1	2.8	3.4	1.1	1.1	11.2	10.5
Berli Jucker*	BJC TB	n/a	27.75	n/a	n/a	3,138	21.3	18.4	4.3	4.8	0.9	0.9	13.2	12.5
Consumer Staple average						26,577	30.1	25.0	7.7	8.6	2.4	2.2	15.2	13.8
Consumer Discretionary														
Com7	COM7 TB	BUY	23.00	30.00	30	1,564	17.5	15.8	41.6	41.7	7.0	6.2	12.4	11.3
Central Retail Corp*	CRC TB	n/a	39.50	n/a	n/a	6,697	28.9	23.8	12.6	13.9	3.5	3.2	11.7	10.7
Home Improvement														
Index Living Mall	ILM TB	BUY	23.70	26.70	13	341	17.2	15.5	12.0	12.7	2.0	1.9	8.1	7.4
Home Product Center	HMPRO TB	BUY	12.20	16.00	31	4,575	24.4	22.1	26.4	27.7	6.3	6.0	14.3	13.2
Siam Global House	GLOBAL TB	BUY	17.10	18.00	5	2,439	31.1	28.3	12.1	12.2	3.6	3.3	23.1	21.1
Dohome	DOHOME TB	BUY	12.20	13.00	7	1,075	63.4	33.9	4.9	8.5	3.0	2.8	26.9	19.7
Home Improvement avg.						8,430	34.0	24.9	13.8	15.3	3.7	3.5	18.1	15.3
Consumer Discretionary avg.						16,692	30.4	23.2	18.3	19.4	4.2	3.9	16.1	13.9
Total average						43,269	30.3	23.8	14.7	15.8	3.6	3.3	15.8	13.8

Sources: *Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

CP Axtra

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	265,398	466,082	485,169	509,925	537,324
Cost of goods sold	(229,384)	(389,588)	(406,918)	(427,164)	(449,698)
Gross profit	36,014	76,494	78,252	82,761	87,625
Other operating income	970	3,050	3,257	3,270	3,415
Operating costs	(26,490)	(62,842)	(65,508)	(68,147)	(71,303)
Operating EBITDA	16,622	34,252	33,639	36,421	38,694
Depreciation	(6,128)	(17,551)	(17,638)	(18,537)	(18,957)
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	0
Operating EBIT	10,494	16,701	16,001	17,884	19,737
Net financing costs	(1,557)	(7,122)	(6,294)	(6,009)	(6,067)
Associates	(226)	831	787	826	868
Recurring non-operating income	(226)	831	787	826	868
Non-recurring items	6,714	0	0	0	0
Profit before tax	15,425	10,411	10,493	12,702	14,538
Tax	(2,128)	(2,729)	(2,461)	(2,731)	(2,734)
Profit after tax	13,298	7,682	8,033	9,971	11,804
Minority interests	389	15	51	51	51
Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0	0
Other items	0	0	0	0	0
Reported net profit	13,687	7,697	8,084	10,022	11,855
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	(6,714)	0	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	6,972	7,697	8,084	10,022	11,855
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	0.66	0.73	0.76	0.95	1.12
Reported EPS	1.29	0.73	0.76	0.95	1.12
DPS	0.32	0.51	0.53	0.66	0.78
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	10,580	10,580	10,580	10,580	10,580
Growth					
Revenue (%)	21.6	75.6	4.1	5.1	5.4
Operating EBITDA (%)	32.6	106.1	(1.8)	8.3	6.2
Operating EBIT (%)	17.2	59.1	(4.2)	11.8	10.4
Recurring EPS (%)	(51.8)	10.4	5.0	24.0	18.3
Reported EPS (%)	(5.4)	(43.8)	5.0	24.0	18.3
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	13.6	16.4	16.1	16.2	16.3
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	15.9	20.2	19.8	19.9	19.8
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	6.3	7.3	6.9	7.1	7.2
Operating EBIT margin (%)	4.0	3.6	3.3	3.5	3.7
Net margin (%)	2.6	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.2
Effective tax rate (%)	23.8	28.5	25.0	23.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	48.6	70.1	70.0	70.0	70.0
Interest cover (X)	6.6	2.5	2.7	3.1	3.4
Inventory days	38.0	34.2	33.4	30.6	30.5
Debtor days	2.2	1.9	2.9	3.9	3.9
Creditor days	72.1	59.9	61.4	64.8	67.2
Operating ROIC (%)	17.7	15.4	16.0	18.4	19.7
ROIC (%)	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.4	3.9
ROE (%)	3.5	2.7	2.8	3.4	4.0
ROA (%)	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.8
* Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Sales	258,630	447,182	464,893	489,343	515,560
Service income	4,136	5,422	5,955	6,018	6,066
Rental and rendering retail services	2,631	13,477	14,322	14,564	15,697

Sources: CP Axtra; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

CP Axtra

Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring net profit	6,972	7,697	8,084	10,022	11,855
Depreciation	6,128	17,551	17,638	18,537	18,957
Associates & minorities	419	96	0	0	(
Other non-cash items	(191)	(187)	521	(253)	168
Change in working capital	13,416	(4,400)	8,791	5,015	4,325
Cash flow from operations	26,744	20,757	35,033	33,320	35,304
Capex - maintenance	(93,470)	(15,872)	(26,080)	(26,818)	(27.450
Capex - new investment Net acquisitions & disposals	(229,281)	(5,027)	(3,130)	(3,296)	(27,459 (3,459
Other investments (net)	12,662	815	9,231	(3,205)	3,566
Cash flow from investing	(310,090)	(20,085)	(19,979)	(33,319)	(27,352
Dividends paid	(3,386)	(5,396)	(5,659)	(7,015)	(8,298
Equity finance	176,619	50	185	185	185
Debt finance	168,123	(23,753)	1,639	4,878	(1,685
Other financing cash flows	0	0	0	0	(1,000)
Cash flow from financing	341,357	(29,099)	(3,834)	(1,952)	(9,799
Non-recurring cash flows	•	-	-	-	• •
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
Net other adjustments	0	0	0	0	(
Movement in cash	58,011	(28,426)	11,220	(1,951)	(1,846
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	(281,788.59)	7,794.01	21,348.54	6,009.20	14,019.18
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	(115,221.97)	(23,080.44)	16,693.63	4,878.80	6,267.24
Per share (THB)					
FCFF per share	(26.63)	0.74	2.02	0.57	1.33
FCFE per share	(10.89)	(2.18)	1.58	0.46	0.59
Recurring cash flow per share	1.26	2.38	2.48	2.68	2.93
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Tangible fixed assets (gross)	141,469	148,498	174,578	201,396	228,855
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(23,025) 118,444	(30,383) 118,115	(46,537) 128,041	(63,456) 137,940	(80,666 148,18 9
Tangible fixed assets (net)	0	0	120,041	137,940	140,10
ntangible fixed assets (net) _ong-term financial assets	0	0	0	0	
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	14,310	14,961	14,961	14,961	14,96
Cash & equivalents	68,530	40,103	51,323	49,372	47,52
A/C receivable	2,301	2,431	5,317	5,588	5,888
nventories	31,967	37,820	33,445	35,109	36,96
Other current assets	7,203	7,001	7,288	7,660	8,07
Current assets	110,001	87,355	97,373	97,729	98,44
Other assets	326,737	328,213	330,082	331,989	333,93
Total assets	569,491	548,643	570,457	582,619	595,53
Common equity	287,997	290,348	292,958	296,150	299,89
Minorities etc.	501	583	531	480	42
Total shareholders' equity	288,498	290,931	293,490	296,630	300,32
Long term debt	105,120	110,025	16,283	104,977	84,18
Other long-term liabilities	57,661	56,925	58,147	59,310	60,49
ong-term liabilities	162,781	166,949	74,430	164,287	144,68
A/C payable	60,236	61,818	69,120	76,070	82,54
Short term debt	34,269	4,796	99,179	14,429	32,58
Other current liabilities	23,707	24,148	34,238	31,202	35,39
Current liabilities	118,211	90,763	202,537	121,702	150,52
Fotal liabilities and shareholders' equity	569,490	548,643	570,457	582,619	595,530
Net working capital nvested capital	(42,472) 417,018	(38,715) 422,573	(57,308) 415,775	(58,916) 425,974	(67,025 430,05
nvested capital Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is b		422,313	+10,770	420,314	430,05
·	- 3				
Per share (THB)	27.00	07.11	07.00	07.00	
Book value per share	27.22	27.44 27.44	27.69	27.99	28.3
Fangible book value per share Financial strength	27.22	27.44	27.69	27.99	28.3
	24.2	05.7	04.0	20.0	00
Net debt/equity (%)	24.6	25.7	21.9	23.6	23.
Net debt/total assets (%)	12.4	13.6	11.2	12.0	11.
Current ratio (x) CF interest cover (x)	0.9 (13.0)	1.0 0.0	0.5 7.8	0.8 6.3	0. 6.
/aluation	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025
Recurring P/E (x) *	44.8	40.6	38.6	31.1	26.
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	53.1	48.1	45.8	37.0	31.
Reported P/E (x)	22.8	40.6	38.6	31.1	26.
Dividend yield (%)	1.1	1.7	1.8	2.2	2.
Price/book (x)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.
Price/tangible book (x)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.
EV/EBITDA (x) **	23.1	11.3	11.2	10.5	9.
EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	26.6	13.0	12.9	12.1	11.
EV/invested capital (x)	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.

Sources: CP Axtra; FSSIA estimates

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Exhibit 15: FSSIA ESG score implication

59.46 /100

Rating	Score	Implication
****	>79-100	Leading its industry peers in managing the most significant ESG risks which not only better cost efficiency but also lead to higher profitability.
****	>59-79	A mixed track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to industry peers.
***	>39-59	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been constructively addressed, well-managed and incorporated into day-to-day operations, in which targets and achievements are evaluated annually.
**	>19-39	Relevant ESG materiality matrix has been identified with key management in charge for progress to be followed up on and to provide intensive disclosure. Most targets are conventional and achievable.
*	1-19	The company has adopted the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs), established sustainability management guidelines and fully complies with regulations or ESG suggested guidance from related organizations such as the SET and SEC.

Sources: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 16: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA			Domes	stic ratings			Global ratings						Bloomberg		
	ESG score	DJSI	SET THSI	THSI	CG score	AGM level	Thai CAC	Morningstar ESG risk	ESG Book	MSCI	Moody's	Refinitiv	S&P Global	ESG score	Disclosure score	
SET100	69.20	5.34	4.40	4.40	4.76	4.65	3.84	Medium	51.76	BBB	20.87	58.72	63.91	3.72	28.17	
Coverage	67.12	5.11	4.15	4.17	4.83	4.71	3.53	Medium	52.04	BB	16.97	56.85	62.09	3.40	31.94	
BJC	71.33	Υ	Υ	Y	4.00	4.00		Medium	55.09	Α		65.19	89.00	2.16		
COM7	61.78		Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Low	47.75			52.68	21.00	4.40	43.59	
CPALL	78.53	Υ	Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	47.38	Α	34.00	59.95	82.00	3.74		
CPAXT	59.46				5.00	5.00	Certified	Low	52.81			74.64	63.00	3.80		
CRC	64.49		Y	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium		BBB		60.98	73.00	2.90	47.27	

Sources: SETTRADE.com; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 17: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	_	_	_	_	_	_	3.80	_
BESG environmental pillar score	_	_	_	_	_	_	3.80	_
BESG social pillar score	_	_	_	_	_	_	3.77	_
BESG governance pillar score	_	_	_	_	_	_	3.84	_
ESG disclosure score	33.03	42.58	50.91	61.55	61.98	62.50	62.50	_
Environmental disclosure score	7.64	17.85	32.89	45.12	48.51	48.51	48.51	_
Social disclosure score	7.68	28.66	29.84	43.29	41.17	42.74	42.74	_
Governance disclosure score	83.59	81.10	89.86	96.12	96.12	96.12	96.12	_
Environmental								
Emissions reduction initiatives	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Climate change opportunities discussed	No							
Risks of climate change discussed	No							
GHG scope 1	_	_	_	50	43	50	66	147
GHG scope 2 location-based	_	_	_	209	220	184	186	571
GHG Scope 3	_	_	_	_	5	58	59	136
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Energy efficiency policy	Yes							
Total energy consumption	_	329	347	730	390	395	419	442
Renewable energy use	_	0	0	0	3	18	36	40
Electricity used	_	_	_	360	377	367	371	390
Fuel used - natural gas	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 18: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Waste reduction policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hazardous waste	_	_	_	_	0	0	0	0
Total waste	40	52	61	62	91	62	68	85
Waste recycled	33	37	43	42	70	40	39	59
Waste sent to landfills	7	15	18	20	21	21	26	23
Environmental supply chain management	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water consumption	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	994
Social								
Human rights policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Policy against child labor	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and recall policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Consumer data protection policy	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Equal opportunity policy	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gender pay gap breakout	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Pct women in workforce	_	55	55	55	55	55	55	52
Pct disabled in workforce	_	_	_	_	_	0	0	0
Business ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Health and safety policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lost time incident rate - employees	_	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
Total recordable incident rate - employees	_	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Training policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fair remuneration policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Number of employees – CSR	_	13,365	13,786	14,560	15,212	16,108	16,920	23,280
Employee turnover pct	_	36	39	35	31	17	16,326	42
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	_	_	_	130,626	162,366	231,049	249,570	778,018
Social supply chain management	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Governance	140	140	103	103	103	163	103	103
Board size	18	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
No. of independent directors (ID)	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
No. of women on board	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	2
No. of non-executive directors on board	10	7	7	7	7	13	13	13
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
No. of board meetings for the year	4	4	5	7	6	9	13	7
Board meeting attendance pct	83	95	92	94	96	99	98	99
Board duration (years)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Director share ownership guidelines	No No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No No
. 0								INO
Age of the soldest director	48 79	51 80	52 81	53 82	54 83	53 78	54 79	_
Age of the oldest director								7
No. of executives / company managers	12 2	12 2	13 3	11 3	11 2	6	6 2	7 1
No. of female executives						1 N-		
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Size of audit committee	5	5	5	5	3	3	3	3
No. of ID on audit committee	5	5	5	5	3	3	3	3
Audit committee meetings	5	5	5	5	5	8	11	8
Audit meeting attendance %	96	_	92	96	100	100	100	100
Size of compensation committee	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of ID on compensation committee	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
No. of compensation committee meetings	1	3	2	2	4	2	3	2
Compensation meeting attendance %	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Size of nomination committee	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of nomination committee meetings	1	3	2	2	4	2	3	2
Nomination meeting attendance %	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Sustainability governance								
Verification type	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

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ESG score	Methodology				Rating					
The Dow Jones Sustainability ndices (<u>DJSI</u>) By S&P Global	process based from the annua	on the com al S&P Glob	npanies' Total Sustain	sed component selection hability Scores resulting ability Assessment (CSA). ustry are selected for	Be a member and invited to the annual S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) for DJSI. Companies with an S&P Glob ESG Score of less than 45% of the S&P Global ESG Score of the highes scoring company are disqualified. The constituents of the DJSI indices ar selected from the Eligible Universe.					
Sustainability nvestment .ist (<u>THSI</u>) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	managing busi Candidates mu 1) no irregular float of >150 sl up capital. Son 70%; 2) indepe wrongdoing rel	iness with trust pass the trading of the hareholders ne key disquendent directated to CG,	preemptive criteria, whe board members and combined holding ualifying criteria includators and free float vio, social & environmen	nance, updated annually. with two crucial conditions: ad executives; and 2) free ng must be >15% of paid- de: 1) CG score of below	To be eligible for THSI inclusion, verified data must be scored at a minimum of 50% for each indicator, unless the company is a part of DJSI during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted against th nature of the relevant industry and materiality. SETTHSI Index is extended from the THSI companies whose 1) market capitalization > 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 a maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.					
oy Thai nstitute of Directors Association Thai IOD)	annually by the	e Thai IOD,). The result			Good (80-89) and not rated equitable trea	, 3 for Good for scores be trent of sha (25%); 4) dis	egories: 5 for E (70-79), 2 for F elow 50. Weigh reholders (weig closure & trans	air (60-69), 1 tings include ght 25% com	for Pass (60- : 1) the rights; bined); 3) the	69), 2) an role o
AGM level By Thai nvestors Association TIA) with support from he SEC	treatment are i transparent an out of five the 0 assessment cr the meeting da advance circulati rights can be exe transparency and	ncorporated d sufficiently CG compon iteria cover ate (45%), a ion of sufficient ercised. The sid d verifiability; a	y disclosed. All form in nents to be evaluated AGM procedures befund after the meeting (not information for voting, a	dions and information is mportant elements of two annually. The ore the meeting (45%), at (10%). (The first assesses 1) and 2) facilitating how voting ase of attending meetings; 2). The third involves the	The scores are classified into four categories: 5 for Excellent (100), 4 for Very Good (90-99), 3 for Fair (80-89), and not rated for scores below 79.					
Thai CAC By Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption CAC)	establishment policies. The C (Companies deci Declaration of Int Certification, inclu	of key contr Certification i iding to becon tent to kick off uding risk ass mployees, est	rols, and the monitorir is good for three year ne a CAC certified memb a 18-month deadline to tessment, in place of polio tablishment of whistleblov	S. per start by submitting a possibmit the CAC Checklist for cy and control, training of	The document will be reviewed by a committee of nine professionals. A passed Checklist will move for granting certification by the CAC Council approvals whose members are twelve highly respected individuals in professionalism and ethical achievements.					
Morningstar Sustainalytics	based on an a	ssessment o	of how much of a com	overall company score npany's exposure to ESG corporate publications and	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.					
	regulatory filings, news and other media, NGO reports/websites, multi-sector information, company feedback, ESG controversies, issuer feedback on draft ESG reports, and quality & peer reviews.				NEGL 0-10	Low 10-20	Medium 20-30	High 30-40	Severe 40+	
ESG Book	positioned to o the principle of helps explain f	outperform o financial m uture risk-ad features wi	ateriality including info djusted performance. ith higher materiality a	es that are better e methodology considers ormation that significantly Materiality is applied by and rebalancing these	The total ESG score is calculated as a weighted sum of the features scores using materiality-based weights. The score is scaled between 0 and 100 with higher scores indicating better performance.					
<u>MSCI</u>				s management of financially g to their exposure to ESG r						ogy to
	AAA	8.571-10.00	0 Leader:	leading its industry in r	nanaging the most	significant ES0	3 risks and oppor	tunities		
	AA	7.143-8.570		rodding no madony mr	nanaging the meet	orgranicant 20	o none and oppor			
	Α	5.714-7.142		a mixed or unexception	nal track record of	managing the r	nost significant F	SG ricks and o	nortunities relat	tive to
	BBB	4.286-5.713	_	industry peers		aaging tild l	o. o.g.moant Li	sito aria 0	o. willioo ioial	
	BB B	2.857-4.285								
	B CCC	1.429-2.856 0.000-1.428	Laggard:	lagging its industry bas	sed on its high exp	osure and failu	re to manage sign	ificant ESG ris	ks	
Moody's ESG olutions	believes that a	sses the dec	gree to which compan	iles take into account ESG of sinto its business model arthe medium to long term.						
Refinitiv ESG rating	Designed to tra	ansparently icly available	and objectively meas e and auditable data.	sure a company's relative ES The score ranges from 0 to ags are 0 to 25 = poor; >25 to 50	100 on relative	ESG perform	nance and insu	fficient degre		
S&P Global				measuring a company's per classification. The score rai			ent of ESG risks	s, opportuniti	es, and impact	ts
Bloomberg	compared to its peers within the same industry classification. The score ranges from 0 to 100. ESG Score Bloomberg score evaluating the company's aggregated Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) performance. The score is based on Bloomberg's view of ESG financial materiality. The score is a weighted generalized mean (power mean) of Pillar Scores, where the weights are determined by the pillar priority ranking. Values range from 0 to 10; 10 is the best.									
			of Pillar Scores, whe	ere the weights are determi	ned by the pillar	priority ranki	ng. values ran	ge nom o to	io; io is the b	out.

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Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
CP Axtra	CPAXT TB	THB 29.50	BUY	The key downside risks to our DCF-based TP include: 1) lower-than-expected SSSG; 2) a lower-than-expected GPM improvement; and 3) operational losses from its overseas business.
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Index Living Mall	ILM TB	THB 23.70	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based TP include 1) lower-than-expected SSSG; 2) a lower-than-expected GPM; and 3) higher-than-expected SG&A.
Home Product Center	HMPRO TB	THB 12.20	BUY	The key downside risks to our DCF-based TP include: 1) lower-than-expected SSSG; 2) the slow recovery of tourist numbers; and 3) operating losses from its overseas business.
Siam Global House	GLOBAL TB	THB 17.10	BUY	The key downside risks to our DCF-based TP are volatile farm incomes and farm prices which could negatively impact purchasing power, especially in the provinces and a larger-than-expected impact on farm income from the El Nino effect.
Dohome PCL	DOHOME TB	THB 12.20	BUY	Downside risks to our DCF-based TP include 1) lower-than-expected SSSG; 2) a lower-than-expected GPM; 3) higher-than-expected SG&A and 4) a worse-than-expected effect from El Nino.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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