#### **EQUITY RESEARCH - COMPANY REPORT**

# AP (THAILAND) AP TB

THAILAND / PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT



- 4Q23 presales hit a new high of THB16b (+38% q-q, +24% y-y), driven by new condos, which helped offset lower low-rise presales.
- 2023 presales hit a new high of THB51b (+2% y-y).
- Maintain top BUY call at our TP of THB14.40.

# 4Q23 presales jumped (+38% q-q, +24% y-y), supported by condos

AP reported quarterly high 4Q23 presales of THB16b (+38% q-q, +24% y-y). It beat our estimate by 7%, driven by higher-than-expected condo presales of THB7.9b (+148% q-q, +171% y-y) following the success of two new condos, which recorded combined presales of over THB6b. It included 1) Rhythm Charoennakhon Iconic (THB5b, 90% take-up rate) and 2) Aspire Vibha-Victory (THB2.3b, 62% take-up rate). They had a better-than-expected response than the target of 30%. However, low-rise presales decreased to THB8.2b (-4% q-q, -18% y-y). Although AP introduced 22 low-rise projects with a combined value of THB29b (+58% q-q, +23% y-y) during the quarter, ten were detached housing projects launched in the middle of December. Besides, there were several holidays.

## 2023 presales hit a new high of THB51b (+2% y-y)

The 2023 presales ended at THB51b (+2% y-y), lower than the previous target of THB58b, due to a sluggish low-rise market. Specifically, low-rise presales stood at THB33.5b (-14% y-y). However, it had help from condo presales, which jumped by 57% y-y to THB18b. AP introduced 56 new projects during the year with a combined value of THB76b (+19.5% y-y). In this aspect, low-rise surged by 25% y-y while condos soared by 14% y-y. For 2024, we are waiting for data after AP announces its business plan. We initially expect new launches to drop from 2023 after AP aggressively introduced new low-rise projects in 2022-2023 at THB50-60b p.a., which should continue to help support presales and transfers.

#### Expect 4Q23 profit to increase y-y but decrease q-q

We initially anticipated a 4Q23 profit of THB1.2-1.3b (+10% y-y, -20-30% q-q). It assumes expected transfers of roughly THB9b, up y-y but down q-q due to lower low-rise presales and higher SG&A, in line with new launches.

## Reaffirm top BUY rating at our TP of THB14.40

We maintain our top BUY call at our TP of THB14.40 on a solid 2023-2024 profit that continues to hit a new high. Also, AP has undemanding valuations. It traded on a 2024 PE of 5.6x. Also, it is attractive in the short run due to its annual dividend payment. Specifically, we expect a 2023 DPS of THB0.70, implying a 6.1% yield.



# BUY

#### **UNCHANGED**

TARGET PRICE THB14.40
CLOSE THB11.40
UP/DOWNSIDE +26.3%
PRIOR TP THB14.40
CHANGE IN TP UNCHANGED
TP vs CONSENSUS +1.6%

#### **KEY STOCK DATA**

YE Dec (THB m)	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	38,539	42,223	43,979	45,724
Net profit	5,877	6,274	6,450	6,568
EPS (THB)	1.87	1.99	2.05	2.09
vs Consensus (%)	-	1.8	1.7	1.9
EBITDA	6,107	6,627	6,894	7,178
Recurring net profit	5,874	6,274	6,450	6,568
Core EPS (THB)	1.87	1.99	2.05	2.09
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-
EPS growth (%)	29.3	6.8	2.8	1.8
Core P/E (x)	6.1	5.7	5.6	5.5
Dividend yield (%)	5.7	6.1	6.2	6.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.4	8.3	7.9	7.4
Price/book (x)	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7
Net debt/Equity (%)	58.5	46.4	41.5	34.8
ROE (%)	17.0	16.2	15.0	13.9



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	6.5	0.9	(0.9)
Relative to country (%)	3.7	2.3	17.0
Mkt cap (USD m)			1,024
3m avg. daily turnover (USI	O m)		3.1
Free float (%)			66
Major shareholder	Mr. Anuphong	Assavabho	khin (21%)
12m high/low (THB)		1	2.80/10.10
Issued shares (m)			3,145.90

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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#### Investment thesis

Management has revealed an aggressive 2023 business plan that targets 1) 58 new project launches worth THB77.0b (+21% y-y) comprising 85% low-rise and 15% condos; 2) presales of THB58.0b (+15% y-y), split 78:22 between low-rise and condo projects; and 3) transfer revenue (including 100% JV) of THB56.3b. In particular, AP will focus more on the luxury market. It will also expand to five new provinces by launching five low-rise projects.

AP's strengths are its flexible and well-diversified portfolio. It covers both low-rise and condo projects in every market segment, both in Bangkok and in provinces with high potential growth.

# Company profile

Founded by Mr Anuphong Assavabhokhin and Mr Pichet Vipavasuphakorn in 1991, AP was listed in 2000 after being merged with PCM Precast Floors Plc, which was founded by Land & Houses Plc (LH). AP has no cross shareholdings with LH.

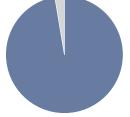
AP operates a property development business offering single-detached house (SDH), townhouse, duplex, home, and condominium projects, in residential areas in metropolitan Bangkok and the provinces.

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■ Sales - 97.4 %

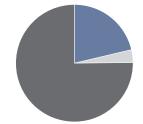
Service income - 2.6 %



Source: AP (Thailand)

# **Major shareholders**

- Mr. Anuphong Assavabhokhin -21.3 %
- Vipavasuphakorn Family 3.5 %
- Others 75.2 %



Source: AP (Thailand)

# Catalysts

Key potential growth drivers include:

- 1) The success of new launches:
- 2) Positive response for the new low-rise projects;
- 3) Sooner-than-expected recovery in the property market;
- 4) Extended new high profits in 2023-2024;
- 5) Stimulus measures and LTV easing

# Key assumptions

	2023E	2024E	2025E
Transfer revenue (THB m)	41,107	42,841	44,563
Service income (THB m)	1,116	1,138	1,161
Property GPM (%)	32.9	32.9	32.9
GPM (%)	34.1	34.1	34.1
SG&A to sales (%)	18.8	18.8	18.8

Source: FSSIA estimates

# Risks to our call

Downside risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) a higher-than-expected slowdown in the low-rise market; 2) lower-than-expected new launches and take-up rates; 3) a slow economic recovery; 4) an impact from the interest rate uptrend on purchasing power; 5) a higher rejection rate and customer cancellation; 6) construction delay and labor shortages; and 7) fierce competition.

# **Event calendar**

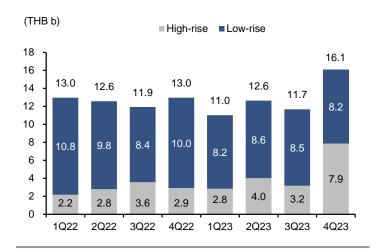
Date	Event
20 February 2024	4Q23 results announcement

# **Earnings sensitivity**

- For every 5% increase in transfers, we estimate 2024 net profit to rise by 4%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.5% increase in property GPM, we estimate 2024 net profit to rise by 2.9%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.5% increase in SG&A, we estimate 2024 net profit to fall by 2.7%, and vice versa, all else being equal

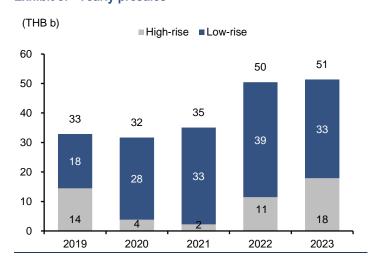
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### **Exhibit 1: Quarterly presales**



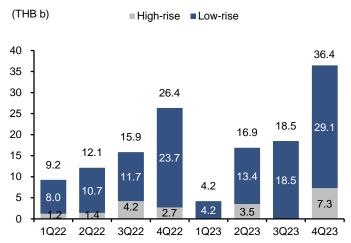
Sources: AP; FSSIA's compilations

# **Exhibit 3: Yearly presales**



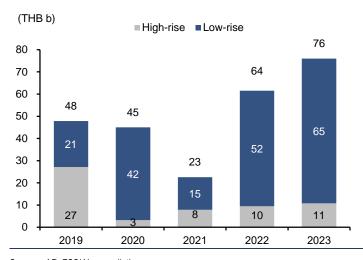
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**Exhibit 2: Quarterly new launches** 



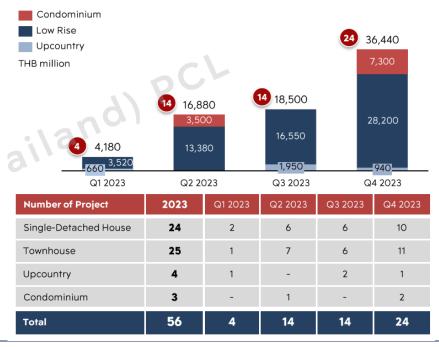
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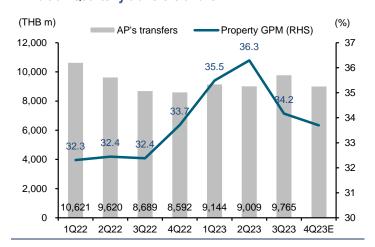
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## Exhibit 5: New launches in 2023



Source: AP

## **Exhibit 6: Quarterly transfers and GPM**



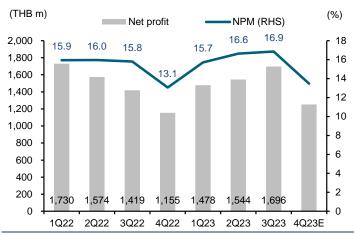
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#### Exhibit 8: Historical P/E band



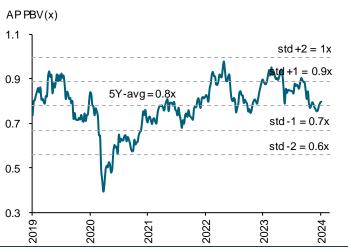
Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 7: Quarterly net profit and NPM



Sources: AP; FSSIA estimates

#### Exhibit 9: Historical P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

# **Financial Statements**

AP (Thailand)

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Revenue	31,794	38,539	42,223	43,979	45,724
Cost of goods sold	(21,483)	(25,475)	(27,826)	(29,002)	(30,152)
Gross profit	10,311	13,064	14,396	14,977	15,572
Other operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Operating costs	(5,828)	(7,248)	(7,938)	(8,268)	(8,596)
Operating EBITDA	4,763	6,107	6,627	6,894	7,178
Depreciation	(279)	(291)	(168)	(185)	(202)
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	0
Operating EBIT	4,484	5,816	6,458	6,709	6,976
Net financing costs	(248)	(99)	(115)	(136)	(128)
Associates	999	1,233	1,151	1,130	1,024
Recurring non-operating income	1,175	1,385	1,211	1,208	1,106
Non-recurring items	0	4	0	0	0
Profit before tax	5,411	7,106	7,555	7,780	7,954
Гах	(869)	(1,230)	(1,281)	(1,330)	(1,386)
Profit after tax	4,542	5,876	6,274	6,450	6,568
Minority interests	0	1	0	0	0
Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0	0
Other items	0	0	0	0	0
Reported net profit	4,542	5,877	6,274	6,450	6,568
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	0	(4)	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	4,542	5,874	6,274	6,450	6,568
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	1.44	1.87	1.99	2.05	2.09
Reported EPS	1.44	1.87	1.99	2.05	2.09
OPS .	0.50	0.65	0.70	0.71	0.72
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	3,146	3,146	3,146	3,146	3,146
Growth					
Revenue (%)	6.4	21.2	9.6	4.2	4.0
Operating EBITDA (%)	34.6	28.2	8.5	4.0	4.1
Operating EBIT (%)	37.1	29.7	11.0	3.9	4.0
Recurring EPS (%)	7.5	29.3	6.8	2.8	1.8
Reported EPS (%)	7.5	29.4	6.7	2.8	1.8
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	32.4	33.9	34.1	34.1	34.1
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	33.3	34.7	34.5	34.5	34.5
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	15.0	15.8	15.7	15.7	15.7
Operating EBIT margin (%)	14.1	15.1	15.3	15.3	15.3
Net margin (%)	14.3	15.2	14.9	14.7	14.4
Effective tax rate (%)	19.7	20.2	20.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	34.6	34.8	35.0	34.5	34.5
nterest cover (X)	22.8	72.7	66.9	58.2	63.2
nventory days	804.9	743.8	724.4	714.3	725.9
Debtor days	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.4
Creditor days	36.8	41.0	41.4	39.6	39.7
Operating ROIC (%)	8.3	9.7	10.2	10.3	10.1
ROIC (%)	8.8	10.3	10.3	10.2	9.8
ROE (%)	14.7	17.0	16.2	15.0	13.9
ROA (%)	8.0	9.3	9.2	9.1	8.8
Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
	30,879	37,522	44.40=	42,841	44,563
Sales			41,107		

Sources: AP (Thailand); FSSIA estimates

# **Financial Statements**

AP (Thailand)

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Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring net profit	4,542	5,874	6,274	6,450	6,568
Depreciation	279	291	168	185	202
Associates & minorities	<del>-</del>	-	-	-	-
Other non-cash items Change in working capital	0 (1,046)	4 (6,585)	0 93	0 (3,544)	0 (2,405)
Cash flow from operations	3,775	(6,363) <b>(417)</b>	6, <b>535</b>	3,092	4,365
Capex - maintenance	0	0	0	0	0
Capex - new investment	(941)	(179)	(1,805)	(592)	(606)
Net acquisitions & disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Other investments (net)	- (0.44)	- (470)	- (4.005)	- (500)	-
Cash flow from investing Dividends paid	<b>(941)</b> (1,382)	<b>(179)</b> (1,572)	<b>(1,805)</b> (2,196)	<b>(592)</b> (2,225)	<b>(606)</b> (2,266)
Equity finance	(1,562)	0	0	0	(2,200)
Debt finance	(2,122)	1,749	(1,915)	17	(1,332)
Other financing cash flows	0	(1)	0	0	0
Cash flow from financing	(3,504)	176	(4,111)	(2,209)	(3,598)
Non-recurring cash flows Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	- 0
Net other adjustments	0	0	0	0	0
Movement in cash	(670)	(420)	620	291	160
Free cash flow to firm (FCFF)	3,088.77	(491.91)	4,847.51	2,637.76	3,888.07
Free cash flow to equity (FCFE)	711.53	1,152.31	2,815.93	2,516.51	2,426.31
Per share (THB)					
FCFF per share	0.98	(0.16)	1.54	0.84	1.24
FCFE per share	0.23	0.37	0.90	0.80	0.77
Recurring cash flow per share	1.53	1.96	2.05	2.11	2.15
Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2021	2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Tangible fixed assets (gross)	1,841	1,904	1,455	1,527	1,599
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(279)	(291)	(168)	(185)	(202)
Tangible fixed assets (net)	1,562	1,614	1,286	1,341	1,396
Intangible fixed assets (net)	<b>0</b> 0	<b>0</b> 0	<b>0</b> 0	<b>0</b> 0	<b>0</b> 1
Long-term financial assets Invest. in associates & subsidiaries	6,645	6,481	8,445	8,796	9,145
Cash & equivalents	2,070	1,650	2,270	2,561	2,722
A/C receivable	118	104	169	176	183
Inventories	47,379	55,261	54,527	58,264	60,855
Other current assets  Current assets	1,386	1,874	1,689 <b>58,655</b>	1,759 <b>62,760</b>	1,829
Other assets	<b>50,953</b> 1,250	<b>58,889</b> 1,243	1,478	1,539	<b>65,589</b> 1,600
Total assets	60,409	68,227	69,863	74,437	77,731
Common equity	32,442	36,747	40,825	45,050	49,353
Minorities etc.	(18)	(19)	(19)	(19)	(19)
Total shareholders' equity	32,423	36,728	40,806	45,031	49,334
Long term debt Other long-term liabilities	15,024 523	15,284 675	15,805 612	9,564 638	8,919 663
Long-term liabilities	15,546	15,959	16,418	10,202	9,582
A/C payable	2,449	3,211	3,061	3,190	3,317
Short term debt	6,352	7,841	5,405	11,663	10,976
Other current liabilities	3,637	4,487	4,174	4,350	4,523
Current liabilities	12,439	15,539	12,640	19,204	18,815
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity  Net working capital	<b>60,409</b> 42,796	<b>68,227</b> 49,540	<b>69,863</b> 49,150	<b>74,437</b> 52,658	<b>77,731</b> 55,028
Invested capital	52,253	58,878	60,358	64,335	67,170
* Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is being	ng treated as debt				
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	10.31	11.68	12.98	14.32	15.69
Tangible book value per share	10.31	11.68	12.98	14.32	15.69
Financial strength					
Net debt/equity (%)	59.5	58.5	46.4	41.5	34.8
Net debt/total assets (%)	32.0	31.5	27.1	25.1	22.1
Current ratio (x) CF interest cover (x)	4.1 7.7	3.8 14.4	4.6 41.3	3.3 23.9	3.5 24.7
	2021				
Valuation Pre-Control		2022	2023E	2024E	2025E
Recurring P/E (x) * Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	7.9 10.0	6.1 7.7	5.7 7.2	5.6 7.0	5.5 6.9
Reported P/E (x)	7.9	6.1	5.7	5.6	5.5
Dividend yield (%)	4.4	5.7	6.1	6.2	6.3
Price/book (x)	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7
Price/tangible book (x)	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7
EV/EBITDA (x) **	11.6	9.4	8.3	7.9	7.4
EV/EBITDA @ target price (x) ** EV/invested capital (x)	13.6 1.1	10.9 1.0	9.7 0.9	9.3 0.8	8.7 0.8
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Sources: AP (Thailand); FSSIA estimates

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## Exhibit 10: FSSIA ESG score implication

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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 11: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA			Dome	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
AP	53.36		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Low	43.30			16.91	24.00	1.89	34.26
ASW	27.00		Υ	Y	5.00	4.00	Declared								
BRI	16.00				4.00	4.00	Declared								
NOBLE	30.88		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified						7.00		
ORI	53.22		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	41.33			48.60		3.82	52.01
SC	60.14		Υ	Υ	5.00	4.00	Certified	Low	45.20			70.85	25.00	2.34	42.60
SIRI	66.14		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Low	43.82	Α		57.85	23.00	3.00	61.14
SPALI	59.80		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Low	52.93	BB		36.30	24.00	2.19	42.36

 $Sources: \underline{\textbf{SETTRADE.com}}; \textbf{FSSIA's compilation}$ 

# Exhibit 12: 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	0.96	2.34	1.85	2.17	1.77	1.84	2.01	1.89
BESG environmental pillar score	0.00	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16
BESG social pillar score	0.00	6.19	3.48	5.30	3.14	3.57	4.68	4.32
BESG governance pillar score	3.86	4.12	3.93	3.98	3.86	3.81	3.75	3.54
ESG disclosure score	30.64	33.76	33.76	34.10	34.10	34.10	34.26	34.26
Environmental disclosure score	0.00	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.75	1.75
Social disclosure score	10.64	12.45	12.45	13.48	13.48	13.48	13.48	13.48
Governance disclosure score	81.10	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36
Environmental								
Emissions reduction initiatives	No							
Climate change policy	No							
Climate change opportunities discussed	No							
Risks of climate change discussed	No							
GHG scope 1	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
GHG scope 2 location-based	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
GHG Scope 3	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No							
Energy efficiency policy	No	Yes						
Total energy consumption	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Renewable energy use	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Electricity used	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Fuel used - natural gas	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_

 $Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's \ compilation$ 

Exhibit 13: 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							
Waste reduction policy	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Hazardous waste	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total waste	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Waste recycled	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Waste sent to landfills	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Environmental supply chain management	No							
Water policy	No	Yes						
Water consumption	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Social								
Human rights policy	Yes							
Policy against child labor	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Quality assurance and recall policy	No							
Consumer data protection policy	No							
Equal opportunity policy	Yes							
Gender pay gap breakout	No							
Pct women in workforce	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Pct disabled in workforce	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Business ethics policy	Yes							
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes							
Health and safety policy	Yes							
Lost time incident rate - employees	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total recordable incident rate - employees	_	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Training policy	Yes							
Fair remuneration policy	No							
Number of employees – CSR	1,670	1,858	1,995	2,239	2,571	2,724	2,589	2,878
Employee turnover pct	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Social supply chain management	No							
Governance								
Board size	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
No. of independent directors (ID)	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
No. of women on board	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
No. of non-executive directors on board	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes							
No. of board meetings for the year	11	11	13	12	11	10	10	11
Board meeting attendance pct	91	90	98	95	96	98	98	99
Board duration (years)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Director share ownership guidelines	No							
Age of the youngest director	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56
Age of the oldest director	72	70	71	72	70	71	72	73
No. of executives / company managers	22	20	19	17	18	18	17	17
No. of female executives	4	2	3	4	4	4	4	4
Executive share ownership guidelines	No							
Size of audit committee	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4
No. of ID on audit committee	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4
Audit committee meetings	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4
Audit meeting attendance %	100	100	93	100	100	100	100	100
Size of compensation committee	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
No. of ID on compensation committee	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
No. of compensation committee meetings	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Compensation meeting attendance %	100	100	88	90	100	100	100	90
Size of nomination committee	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
No. of nomination committee meetings	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Nomination meeting attendance %	100	100	88	90	100	100	100	90
Sustainability governance								
Verification type	No							

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

# **Disclaimer for ESG scoring**

ESG score	Methodolog	у			Rating					
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices ( <u>DJSI</u> ) By S&P Global	process bas from the anr Only the top inclusion.	ed on the com nual S&P Glob -ranked comp	transparent, rules-based panies' Total Sustainabil al Corporate Sustainabili anies within each industr	ity Scores resulting ty Assessment (CSA). y are selected for	Sustainability A ESG Score of I	ssessment (Cess than 45% are disquali	he annual S&P C SA) for DJSI. Co of the S&P Glob fied. The constitutiverse.	mpanies with al ESG Score	an S&P Globa of the highest	
Sustainability Investment List (THSI) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (SET)	managing b Candidates 1) no irregul float of >150 up capital. S 70%; 2) inde wrongdoing	usiness with transt pass the lar trading of the shareholders some key disquependent direct related to CG,	lity in Environmental and ansparency in Governand preemptive criteria, with he board members and extended , and combined holding in ualifying criteria include: tors and free float violation social & environmental in arnings in red for > 3 year	ce, updated annually. two crucial conditions: eccutives; and 2) free nust be >15% of paid- 1) CG score of below on; 3) executives' mpacts; 4) equity in	nature of the relevant industry and materiality.  SETTHSI Index is extended from the THSI companies whose 1) capitalization > THB5b (~USD150b); 2) free float >20%; and 3) lic >0.5% of paid-up capital for at least 9 out of 12 months. The SET Index is a market capitalisation-weighted index, cap 5% quarterly maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.					
CG Score by Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)	annually by Thailand (SI	the Thai IOD,	h in sustainable developr with support from the Sto is are from the perspectiv s.	ck Exchange of	Scores are rated in six categories: 5 for Excellent (90-100), 4 for Ver Good (80-89), 3 for Good (70-79), 2 for Fair (60-69), 1 for Pass (60-60), 1 for Pass (60-60), 1 for Pass (60-60), 2 for Fair (60-60), 3 for Pass (60-60), 2 for Fair (60-60), 3 for Pass (60-60), 2 for Fair (60-60), 3 for Pass (60-60), 2 for Pair (60-60), 2 for Pair (60-60), 2 for Pair (60-60), 3 for Pass (60-60),					
AGM level By Thai Investors Association (TIA) with support from the SEC	treatment ar transparent out of five th criteria cove date (45%), circulation of s exercised. The and verifiability	re incorporated and sufficiently are CG componer AGM proced and after the resufficient informate second assessity; and 3) openned	which shareholders' rights into business operations y disclosed. All form impoents to be evaluated ann ures before the meeting (10%). (The first a tion for voting; and 2) facilitations in the ease of attending mess for Q&A. The third involves, resolutions and voting res	s and information is ortant elements of two ually. The assessment (45%), at the meeting ssesses 1) advance ing how voting rights can be eetings; 2) transparency is the meeting minutes that	be					
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ESG Book	positioned to the principle helps explai over-weighti	o outperform o of financial mandial manuscription of the outperform of the outperfor	sustainable companies the ver the long term. The materiality including inform djusted performance. Mat the higher materiality and orly basis.	ethodology considers ation that significantly teriality is applied by	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.					
MSCI .			measure a company's mand laggards according to						nethodology to	
	AAA	8.571-10.00	0					·		
	AA	7.143-8.570	Leader:	leading its industry in ma	anaging the most s	gnificant ESG ris	sks and opportunitie	25		
	Α	5.714-7.142	2							
	BBB	4.286-5.713	Average:	a mixed or unexceptional industry peers	al track record of ma	anaging the mos	t significant ESG ris	sks and opportu	nities relative to	
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