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Challenging 2024 on aggressive guidance

- We maintain our neutral view on BAM despite its 2024 aggressive debt collection guidance.
- 4Q23 net profit beat ours, and the consensus estimate, but debt collection continues to sign the pressure from a slowing backdrop.
- Maintain our HOLD call and 2024 TP of THB8.75.

Aggressive 2024 collection guidance from both NPLs and NPAs

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2024 investment budget is also very challenging

BAM set its 2024 NPL investment target at THB70b in terms of outstanding debt amount. The firm expects to require at least THB20b in investment cost for its expectation on the prolonged NPL supply glut this year. The trend should allow BAM to be more selective in acquiring fresh NPLs for better collectability. However, if collection performance during the year is worse than anticipated, BAM admits it would suppress its investment and lower its dividend payout ratio as cash flow management measures.

Higher gain from NPLs supported better-than-expected 4Q23 profit

BAM disclosed a 4Q23 net profit of THB459m, increasing 19.9% q-q but declining 47% y-y. The result exceeded our estimate and the Bloomberg consensus forecast by 8% and 11%, respectively. The q-q rise was mainly from a higher gain from NPLs, where the performance in managing mid-sized accounts was moderately better than expected. However, the positive factors were partially offset by underperformance in the NPA business amid the dull environment of the segment and a lack of large NPA buyers during the period compared to 2Q-3Q23.

Maintain our forecasts and HOLD call

Despite BAM's ambitious 2024 targets, we remain cautious and maintain our 2024-26 forecasts for its low earnings visibility amid the dull backdrop, resulting in a slow recovery in operations. We reiterate our HOLD call on BAM with our NAV-based 2024 TP of THB8.75, implying a P/BV ratio of 0.64x.



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BAM TB HOLD

TARGET PRICE	THB8.75
CLOSE	THB8.00
UP/DOWNSIDE	+9.4%
PRIOR TP	THB8.75
CHANGE IN TP	UNCHANGED
TP vs CONSENSUS	+11.9%

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Operating profit	1,843	2,169	2,316	2,583
Net profit	1,534	1,779	1,899	2,066
EPS (THB)	0.47	0.55	0.59	0.64
vs Consensus (%)	-	3.8	(9.1)	(13.9)
Recurring net profit	1,534	1,779	1,899	2,066
Core EPS (THB)	0.47	0.55	0.59	0.64
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-
EPS growth (%)	(43.7)	15.9	6.8	8.8
Core P/E (x)	16.9	14.5	13.6	12.5
Dividend yield (%)	4.6	4.7	4.8	5.0
Price/book (x)	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
ROE (%)	3.5	4.1	4.3	4.6
ROA (%)	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.4



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month		
Absolute (%)	0.0	(2.4)	(46.3)		
Relative to country (%)	(1.8)	(2.2)	(37.1)		
Mkt cap (USD m)			722		
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)		1.9			
Free float (%)		21			
Major shareholder		FIDF (46%)			
12m high/low (THB)			15.40/7.75		
Issued shares (m)			3,232		

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates

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Investment thesis

We have a HOLD call on BAM due to:

- Despite the firm's aggressive targets for 2024, we do not expect the dull industry trend to reverse course in the near term, especially for secured NPL AMCs like BAM. The weak demand for residential properties and banks' strict lending policies should continue to be the key overhang way into 2024.
- We expect BAM's 2024-26 earnings to grow only moderately by 7.7% CAGR along with the theme of portfolio expansion, while the cash collection front should remain suppressed from weak domestic macroeconomic factors.
- Our NAV-based valuation model suggests a fair value of THB8.75, implying a P/BV ratio of 0.64x. Given the limited upside, we maintain our HOLD recommendation.

Company profile

BAM was established in 1998 following the financial crisis in Thailand. Its key businesses include the purchase or transfer of non-performing loans (NPLs) and non-performing assets (NPAs) for management or for further disposal or transfer.

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- NPAs management 24.0 %
- Other income 0.8 %

Source: Bangkok Commercial Asset Mngt.

Major shareholders





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Catalysts

- A higher-than-expected supply of NPLs for sale from financial institutions;
- Higher-than-expected investment in bad debts;
- Higher-than-expected cash collection from NPL receivables;
- Higher-than-expected NPA cash collection due to market strategies.

Risks to our call

Downside risks to our NAV-based TP include 1) lower cash collection than estimated; 2) lower-than-expected bad debt acquisition; and 3) a slowdown in the property market. Upsides include 1) better-than-expected economic conditions and debt repayment momentum; and 2) an acceleration in the demand for NPAs.

Event calendar

Date	Event
Apr 2024	1Q24 results announcement

Key assumptions

	2024E	2025E	2026E
	(THB m)	(THB m)	(THB m)
Net profit	1,779	1,899	2,066
Net profit growth (%)	18.7	6.8	8.8
Cash collection	16,501	17,302	18,270
Cash collection ratio (%)	11.3	11.5	11.7
Purchase of A/R	10,000	10,500	10,763
Investment growth (%)	(28.6)	5.0	2.5
Cost to income (%)	32.2	31.7	31.3

Source: FSSIA estimates

Earnings sensitivity

	2024E						
Cash collection ratio	±25bp	11.1	11.3	11.6			
% change in net profit		(9.3)		9.3			
Cost to income	±1ppt	31.2	32.2	33.2			
% change in net profit		4.4		(4.4)			

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2024 investment budget is also very challenging

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(0) Cash collection: BAM's 4Q23 cash collection amounted to THB3.9b, which aligned with our expectations for the NPL and NPA segments, but missed management's guidance by 27%. The figure showed only a marginal increase of 1.3% q-q despite the seasonal factors, but declined by 26.1% y-y, reflecting the impaired repayment capability of NPL debtors and the low purchasing power of NPA buyers. All in all, 2023 cash collection was THB15.1b, decreasing 10.2% y-y and highlighting the challenging macro environment we have witnessed since 2H23.

(0) Update and views on JV AMC: On 12 Feb-24, BAM announced a plan to coestablish a JV AMC with the Government Savings Bank (GSB) in a 50:50 shareholding proportion, targeting the management of GSB's clean loans (unsecured) worth approximately THB230b in outstanding loan amount. However, the matter is under regulation re-consideration for the Bank of Thailand (BoT) to allow JVs between AMCs and SFIs, while neither party has disclosed further details. The move is currently not reflected in our estimates, and we do not believe unsecured NPL management to be BAM's strong suit. We will continue to monitor the development of the matter.

Exhibit 1: BAM – 4Q23 operating results

	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	Chan	ge	2023	Change
	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(y-y%)				
Interest income	2,528	2,156	2,249	2,288	2,505	9.5	(0.9)	9,177	(6.7)
Interest income from purchased loans	1,521	1,548	1,607	1,704	1,844	8.2	21.2	6,703	10.3
Gain from purchased loans	972	566	604	541	637	17.7	(34.5)	2,348	(36.6)
Interest income from installment A/R	30	33	22	39	35	(10.3)	16.7	129	15.2
Interest income from cash at Fis	9	11	10	2	2	-	(77.8)	25	47.1
Other interest-related income	(5)	(2)	6	2	(13)	n/a	160.0	(28)	(60.0)
Interest expenses	694	693	722	735	756	2.9	9.0	2,908	10.3
Net interest income	1,834	1,463	1,527	1,551	1,749	12.8	(4.6)	6,269	(12.9)
Non-interest income	954	542	864	777	644	(17.2)	(32.5)	2,827	(3.9)
Gain from properties for sale	782	489	575	604	496	(17.8)	(36.5)	2,165	(14.6)
Gain from installment A/R	53	35	275	157	127	(19.1)	140.9	594	139.9
Other income	119	18	14	17	20	22.9	(83.0)	69	(56.8)
Total revenue	2,788	2,005	2,391	2,328	2,393	2.8	(14.2)	9,096	(10.3)
Operating expenses	861	684	742	777	825	6.1	(4.3)	3,028	4.9
Operating profit, PPOP	1,926	1,321	1,649	1,551	1,568	1.1	(18.6)	6,068	(16.4)
Expected credit losses	860	987	1,126	1,084	1,029	(5.2)	19.6	4,225	4.3
Income tax	191	57	88	84	80	(4.6)	(58.0)	309	(35.9)
Net profit	866	267	425	383	459	19.9	(47.0)	1,534	(43.7)
EPS (THB)	0.27	0.08	0.13	0.12	0.14	19.9	(47.0)	0.47	(43.7)
Cash collection	5,293	3,221	4,127	3,862	3,913	1.3	(26.1)	15,113	(10.2)
NPL Collection	3,118	1,972	2,013	2,146	2,320	8.1	(25.6)	8,452	(16.4)
NPA Collection	2,175	1,249	2,114	1,716	1,593	(7.2)	(26.8)	6,661	(0.8)
Key financial items	(THB m)	(%)	(%)	(THB m)	(%)				
Gross NPL	80,838	81,409	84,193	87,543	86,575	(1.1)	7.1	86,575	7.1
Gross NPA	42,938	44,047	43,945	44,723	45,635	2.0	6.3	45,635	6.3
Additional acquisition	4,962	2,650	4,723	5,431	1,514	(72.1)	(69.5)	14,318	77.2
Key financial ratios (%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	
Cost to income	30.90	34.13	31.02	33.39	34.47			33.29	
Cost of funds	3.29	3.23	3.34	3.39	3.42			3.30	
Gross margin	65.79	72.96	63.86	66.62	73.10			68.92	
Net profit margin	31.08	13.29	17.78	16.44	19.18			16.87	
ROA (%)	2.65	0.80	1.27	1.14	1.34			1.14	
ROE (%)	8.01	2.43	3.91	3.56	4.23			3.51	
D/E (x)	2.04	2.06	2.10	2.15	2.15			2.15	
IBD/E (x)	1.96	1.94	2.03	2.00	2.07			2.07	

Sources: BAM; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 2: Cash collection performance – guidance vs actual

	3Q22	4Q22	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23
Company's target	(THB m)					
NPL	2,593	3,070	2,298	2,682	2,521	2,999
NPA	1,704	2,839	1,169	1,782	1,967	2,382
Total	4,297	5,909	3,467	4,464	4,488	5,381
Actual performance	(THB m)					
NPL	2,552	3,118	1,972	2,013	2,146	2,320
NPA	1,877	2,175	1,249	2,114	1,716	1,593
Total	4,429	5,293	3,221	4,127	3,862	3,913
Relative to guidance	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
NPL	(1.57)	1.55	(14.17)	(24.93)	(14.88)	(22.64)
NPA	10.13	(23.38)	6.83	18.63	(12.77)	(33.14)
Total	3.07	(10.42)	(7.09)	(7.54)	(13.96)	(27.28)

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Exhibit 3: BAM - one-year prospective P/BV band





Exhibit 4: BAM - one-year prospective PER band

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 5: Peer comparisons as of 27 Feb-2024

Company name	BBG	Rec	Share	Target	Up	PI	Ξ	PB	V	RO	E	Div y	/ld
	code		price	price	side	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E
			(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x)
AEON Thana Sinsap (Thailand)	AEONTS TB	HOLD	150.50	169.00	12.3	12.1	11.2	1.5	1.4	13.1	13.2	3.7	4.2
Krungthai Card	КТС ТВ	HOLD	43.25	46.00	6.4	15.3	14.6	3.1	2.8	21.8	20.2	2.9	3.1
Muangthai Capital	MTC TB	HOLD	46.25	43.00	(7.0)	20.0	16.9	3.1	2.6	16.1	16.8	0.5	0.5
Srisawad Corp	SAWAD TB	HOLD	40.50	45.00	11.1	11.1	10.4	2.0	1.8	18.7	18.0	4.4	4.8
Ngern Tid Lor	TIDLOR TB	BUY	23.30	28.00	20.2	17.1	14.1	2.3	2.0	14.2	15.2	1.2	1.4
JMT Network services	JMT TB	HOLD	23.00	25.70	11.7	16.7	14.0	1.3	1.3	8.1	9.0	4.7	5.7
Bangkok Commercial Asset Mgmt.	BAM TB	HOLD	8.00	8.75	9.4	16.9	14.5	0.6	0.6	3.5	4.1	4.6	4.7
Chayo Group	CHAYO TB	HOLD	5.75	5.70	(0.9)	16.7	16.8	2.0	1.7	12.4	10.7	0.5	0.9
Average						15.7	14.1	2.0	1.8	13.5	13.4	3.1	3.2

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Bangkok Commercial Asset Mngt.

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
nterest Income	9,838	9,177	9,391	9,763	10,079
nterest expense	(2,637)	(2,908)	(3,044)	(3,202)	(3,298)
let interest income	7,201	6,269	6,347	6,560	6,781
let fees & commission	-	-	-	-	-
oreign exchange trading income	-	-	-	-	-
Securities trading income	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend income	0	0	0	0	0
Other income	2,942	2,827	3,284	3,525	3,772
Ion interest income	2,942	2,827	3,284	3,525	3,772
otal income	10,143	9,096	9,632	10,086	10,554
Staff costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other operating costs	(2,888)	(3,028)	(3,106)	(3,204)	(3,305)
Dperating costs	(2,888)	(3,028)	(3,106)	(3,204)	(3,305)
Pre provision operating profit	7,255	6,068	6,526	6,882	7,248
Expected credit loss	(4,049)	(4,225)	(4,357)	(4,565)	(4,665)
Dther provisions	-	(1,220)	-	-	(1,000)
Operating profit	3,206	1,843	2,169	2,316	2,583
Recurring non operating income	0	0	0	2,010	2,000
Associates	-	-	-	-	-
Soodwill amortization	-	-	-	-	-
lon recurring items	- 0	- 0	- 0	- 0	-
Profit before tax	3,206	1,843	2,169	2,316	2,583
ax	(482)	(309)	(391)	(417)	2,565 (517)
Profit after tax	2,724	1,534	1,779	1,899	2,066
Ion-controlling interest	2,724	1,534	0	1,699	2,000
-	0	0		0	U
Preferred dividends	-	-	-	-	-
Other items	-	-	-	-	-
Reported net profit	2,724	1,534	1,779	1,899	2,066
Non recurring items & goodwill (net)	-	-	0	0	0
Recurring net profit	2,724	1,534	1,779	1,899	2,066
Per share (THB)	0.04	0.47	0.55	0.50	0.04
Recurring EPS *	0.84	0.47	0.55	0.59	0.64
Reported EPS	0.84	0.47	0.55	0.59	0.64
DPS	0.55	0.38	0.37	0.38	0.41
Growth					
Net interest income (%)	2.7	(12.9)	1.3	3.4	3.4
Ion interest income (%)	(21.3)	(3.9)	16.2	7.3	7.0
Pre provision operating profit (%)	(9.5)	(16.4)	7.6	5.5	5.3
Operating profit (%)	(1.5)	(42.5)	17.7	6.8	11.5
Reported net profit (%)	4.8	(43.7)	16.0	6.8	8.8
Recurring EPS (%)	4.8	(43.7)	15.9	6.8	8.8
Reported EPS (%)	4.8	(43.7)	15.9	6.8	8.8
ncome Breakdown					
let interest income (%)	71.0	68.9	65.9	65.0	64.3
let fees & commission (%)	-	-	-	-	-
oreign exchange trading income (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Securities trading income (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Vividend income (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Other income (%)	29.0	31.1	34.1	35.0	35.7
perating performance					
Gross interest yield (%)	-	-	-	-	-
Cost of funds (%)	3.18	3.30	3.33	3.35	3.24
let interest spread (%)	(3.18)	(3.30)	(3.33)	(3.35)	(3.24)
let interest margin (%)	-	-	-	-	(0.21)
Cost/income(%)	28.5	33.3	32.2	31.8	31.3
cost/assets(%)	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Effective tax rate (%)	15.0	16.8	18.0	18.0	20.0
vividend payout on recurring profit (%)	65.2	80.0	68.0	65.0	65.0
ROE (%)	6.3				65.0 4.6
ROE (%) ROE - COE (%)		3.5	4.1	4.3	
	(4.5)	(7.3)	(6.7)	(6.5)	(6.2)
20A (%) 20RWA (%)	2.1	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.4

Sources: Bangkok Commercial Asset Mngt.; FSSIA estimates

Financial Statements

Bangkok Commercial Asset Mngt.

Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Gross customer loans	80,838	86,575	90,004	92,140	94,050
Allowance for expected credit loss	(21,710)	(25,667)	(29,288)	(33,203)	(37,299
nterest in suspense	13,256	17,051	20,834	24,749	28,845
Net customer loans	72,384	77,959	81,550	83,686	85,596
Bank loans	-	-	-	-	
Government securities	-	-	-	-	
Trading securities	-	-	-	-	
nvestment securities	476	459	500	500	500
Cash & equivalents	86	107	1,302	2,427	2,38
Other interesting assets	39,576	37,316	38,863	41,058	47,170
Tangible fixed assets	1,139	1,190	1,188	1,213	1,239
Associates	-	-	-	-	
Goodwill	-	-	-	-	
Other intangible assets	-	-	-	-	40.44
Other assets	19,143	20,284	17,714	18,028	18,447
Fotal assets	132,805	137,315	141,117	146,912	155,333
Customer deposits	-	-	-	-	
Bank deposits	-	-	-	-	105 250
Other interest bearing liabilities	85,552	90,518 3 167	93,059 3 908	97,968	105,353
Non interest bearing liabilities	3,544	3,167	3,908	4,103	4,308
Hybrid Capital Fotal liabilities	-	-	-	-	100 00
	89,097	93,685	96,966	102,071	109,661
Share capital Reserves	16,160 27,548	16,160 27,469	16,160 27,991	16,160 28,681	16,160 29,513
Fotal equity	43,708 0	43,629 0	44,151 0	44,841 0	45,673
Non-controlling interest	132,805	137,315	141,117	146,912	155,333
Fotal liabilities & equity Supplementary items	152,805	137,315	141,117	140,512	155,55
	n/a	2/2	2/2	2/2	n/a
Risk weighted assets (RWA)	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	n/a n/a	n/a
Average interest earning assets	82,853	88,035	91,294	95,514	101,66
Average interest bearing liabilities CET 1 capital	02,000 n/a	88,035 n/a	91,294 n/a	95,514 n/a	n/a
Fotal capital	0	0	0	0	11/6
Gross non performing loans (NPL)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Per share (THB)	11/4	174	174	1/d	11/6
Book value per share	13.52	13.50	13.66	13.87	14.13
Fangible book value per share	13.52	13.50	13.66	13.87	14.13
Growth	10.02	10.00	10.00	10.01	14.10
Gross customer loans	(1.0)	7.1	4.0	2.4	2.1
Average interest earning assets	(1.0)	7.1	4.0	2.7	۷.
Fotal asset (%)	5.5	3.4	2.8	4.1	5.7
Risk weighted assets (%)	0.0	- 0.4	2.0	-	0.1
Customer deposits (%)	_	_	_		
Leverage & capital measures	-	-	-	-	
Customer loan/deposits (%)	-			-	
Equity/assets (%)	- 32.9	- 31.8	- 31.3	- 30.5	29.4
∠quity/assets (%) Γangible equity/assets (%)	32.9	31.8 31.8	31.3 31.3	30.5 30.5	29.4
RWA/assets (%)	52.5				29.4
CET 1 CAR (%)	-	-	-	-	
Fotal CAR (%)	-	-	-	-	
Asset Quality (FSSIA's calculation)	-	-	-	-	
Change in NPL (%)	-	-			
NPL/gross loans (%)	-	-	-	-	
Allowance for ECL/gross loans (%)	- 26.9	- 29.6	- 32.5	- 36.0	39.1
Allowance for ECL/gross loans (%)	20.9	- 29.6	32.3	30.0	39.
	-	-	-	-	
/aluation	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026
Recurring P/E (x) *	9.5	16.9	14.5	13.6	12.
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	10.4	18.4	15.9	14.9	12.
Reported P/E (x)	9.5	16.9	14.5	13.6	12.
Dividend yield (%)	9.5 6.9	4.6	4.7	4.8	5.0
Price/book (x)	0.6	4.0 0.6	0.6	4.8 0.6	0.6
Price/tangible book (x)	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Price/tangible book @ target price (x)	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
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Sources: Bangkok Commercial Asset Mngt.; FSSIA estimates

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Exhibit 6: FSSIA ESG score implication

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.
$\star\star\star\star$	>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 7: ESG – peer comparison

	FSSIA	Domestic 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
BAM	55.19		Y	Y	5.00	4.00	Certified	Medium	47.11	В		49.29	14.00	2.88	54.79
CHAYO	13.00				4.00	4.00									
JMT	35.60				4.00	5.00	Declared	Medium		BBB		12.70	13.00		39.90

Sources: <u>SETTRADE.com</u>; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 8: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	_	_	2.16	2.88
BESG environmental pillar score	—	_	0.00	0.00
BESG social pillar score	_	_	2.08	3.50
BESG governance pillar score	_	_	4.46	4.59
ESG disclosure score	30.85	37.10	45.20	54.79
Environmental disclosure score	0.00	14.38	32.35	55.45
Social disclosure score	11.28	15.66	22.01	27.72
Governance disclosure score	81.10	81.10	81.10	81.10
Environmental				
Emissions reduction initiatives	No	No	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	No	No	No	No
Climate change opportunities discussed	No	No	No	No
Risks of climate change discussed	No	No	No	No
GHG scope 1	—	_	0	0
GHG scope 2 location-based	—	_	1	1
GHG Scope 3	_	_	2	0
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No	No	No	No
Energy efficiency policy	No	No	Yes	Yes
Total energy consumption	_	_	10	3
Renewable energy use	—	_	0	0
Electricity used	_	_	7	2
Fuel used - natural gas	—	_	_	_

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

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Exhibit 9: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	No
Waste reduction policy	No	No	Yes	Yes
Hazardous waste	—	—	0	(
Total waste	—	_	0	(
Waste recycled	—	_	_	(
Waste sent to landfills	—	_	_	-
Environmental supply chain management	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Water policy	No	No	No	Ye
Water consumption	_	_	30	28
Social				
Human rights policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Policy against child labor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Quality assurance and recall policy	No	No	No	N
Consumer data protection policy	No	Yes	Yes	Ye
Equal opportunity policy	No	No	Yes	Ye
Gender pay gap breakout	No	No	No	N
Pct women in workforce	_	_	53	5
Pct disabled in workforce	_	_	_	-
Business ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Anti-bribery ethics policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Health and safety policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Lost time incident rate - employees	_	_	0	
Total recordable incident rate - employees	_	_	_	_
Training policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Fair remuneration policy	No	No	No	N
Number of employees – CSR	1,297	1,291	1,285	1,28
Employee turnover pct				1,20
Total hours spent by firm - employee training		_	39,835	43,69
Social supply chain management	No	Yes	Yes	Ye
Governance	110	100	100	10
Board size	10	10	9	1
No. of independent directors (ID)	4	4	4	
No. of women on board	3	3	2	
No. of non-executive directors on board	7	6	6	1
			Yes	Ye
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes		
No. of board meetings for the year	22	19	15	1
Board meeting attendance pct	92	98	99	g
Board duration (years)	3	3	3	
Director share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	N
Age of the youngest director	47	48	49	5
Age of the oldest director	64	65	66	6
No. of executives / company managers	7	9	9	
No. of female executives	1	2	2	
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	N
Size of audit committee	4	4	4	
No. of ID on audit committee	4	4	4	
Audit committee meetings	18	16	16	1
Audit meeting attendance %	85	98	97	g
Size of compensation committee	3	4	3	
No. of ID on compensation committee	1	2	2	
No. of compensation committee meetings	14	17	12	1
Compensation meeting attendance %	98	100	100	g
Size of nomination committee	3	4	3	
No. of nomination committee meetings	14	17	12	1
Nomination meeting attendance %	98	100	100	9
Sustainability governance				

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

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ESG score	Methodolog	ау			Rating						
The Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (<u>DJSI</u>) By S&P Global	process bas from the ann Only the top inclusion.	ed on the com nual S&P Glob -ranked comp	transparent, rules-based panies' Total Sustainabi al Corporate Sustainabili anies within each industr	lity Scores resulting ity Assessment (CSA). y 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 Global ESG Score of less than 45% of the S&P Global ESG Score of the highest scoring company are disqualified. The constituents of the DJSI indices are selected from the Eligible Universe.						
Sustainability Investment List (<u>THSI</u>) by The Stock Exchange of Thailand (<u>SET</u>)	managing b Candidates 1) no irregul float of >150 up capital. S 70%; 2) inde wrongdoing	usiness with tr must pass the ar trading of th shareholders come key disque pendent direct related to CG,	lity in Environmental and ansparency in Governan preemptive criteria, with he board members and e , and combined holding r ualifying criteria include: tors and free float violatii social & environmental i arnings in red for > 3 yea	two crucial conditions: xecutives; and 2) free must be >15% of paid- 1) CG score of below on; 3) executives' impacts; 4) equity in	To be eligible for <u>THSI inclusion</u> , 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 the nature of the relevant industry and materiality. <u>SETTHSI Index</u> 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.						
CG Score by Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)	annually by Thailand (Sl	the Thai IOD,	h in sustainable develop with support from the Sto s are from the perspectiv s.	ock Exchange of	Scores are rated in six categories: 5 for Excellent (90-100), 4 for Very Good (80-89), 3 for Good (70-79), 2 for Fair (60-69), 1 for Pass (60-69), and not rated for scores below 50. Weightings include: 1) the rights; 2) and equitable treatment of shareholders (weight 25% combined); 3) the role of stakeholders (25%); 4) disclosure & transparency (15%); and 5) board responsibilities (35%).						
AGM level By Thai Investors Association (TIA) with support from the SEC	treatment ar transparent out of five th criteria cove date (45%), <i>circulation of s</i> <i>exercised. Th</i> <i>and verifiabilit</i>	e incorporated and sufficiently the CG compon or AGM proced and after the r sufficient informa e second assess y; and 3) openne	which shareholders' rights I into business operations y disclosed. All form impu- ents to be evaluated ann ures before the meeting meeting (10%). (The first a tion for voting; and 2) facilitat es 1) the ease of attending m ss for Q&A. The third involve es, resolutions and voting res	s and information is ortant elements of two nually. The assessment (45%), at the meeting issesses 1) advance ting how voting rights can be neetings; 2) transparency as the meeting minutes that	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)	establishme policies. The (Companies of Declaration of Certification, is managers and	nt of key contr e Certification i leciding to becom Intent to kick off ncluding risk ass	Checklist include corrupti ols, and the monitoring a s good for three years. an 18-month deadline to sub essment, in place of policy an ablishment of whistleblowing I stakeholders.)	st will move fo	ed by a committe or granting certific re twelve highly r chievements.	cation by the 0	CAC Council				
<u>Morningstar</u> Sustainalytics	based on ar risk is unma	nassessment of naged. Sources	sk rating provides an ove of how much of a compare to be reviewed include corp are media, NGO reports/webs	ny's exposure to ESG	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.						
		ompany feedbac uality & peer revi	k, ESG controversies, issuer iews.	feedback on draft ESG	NEGL 0-10	Low 10-20	Medium 20-30	High 30-40	Severe 40+		
ESG Book	The ESG score identifies sustainable companies that are better positioned to outperform over the long term. The methodology considers the principle of financial materiality including information that significantly helps explain future risk-adjusted performance. Materiality is applied by over-weighting features with higher materiality and rebalancing these weights on a rolling quarterly basis.										
MSCI				anagement of financially their exposure to ESG ri					nethodology to		
	ааа АА А	8.571-10.00 7.143-8.570 5.714-7.142	Leader:	leading its industry in m	nanaging the most significant ESG risks and opportunities						
	BBB BB	4.286-5.713 2.857-4.285	Average:	a mixed or unexception industry peers	nal track record of managing the most significant ESG risks and opportunities relative to						
	B 1.429-2.856 Laggard: Lagging its industry based on its high exposure and failure to manage significant Es										
Moody's ESG solutions	CCC 0.000-1.428 Moody's assesses the degree to which companies take into account ESG objectives in the definition and implementation of their strategy policies. It believes that a company integrating ESG factors into its business model and relatively outperforming its peers is better positioned to mitigate risks and create sustainable value for shareholders over the medium to long term.										
Refinitiv ESG rating	Designed to transparently and objectively measure a company's relative ESG performance, commitment and effectiveness across 10 main themes, based on publicly available and auditable data. The score ranges from 0 to 100 on relative ESG performance and insufficient degree of transparency in reporting material ESG data publicly. (<i>Score ratings are 0 to 25 = poor; >25 to 50 = satisfactory; >50 to 75 = good; and >75 to 100 = excellent.</i>)										
S&P Global	The S&P Global ESG Score is a relative score measuring a company's performance on and management of ESG risks, opportunities, and impacts compared to its peers within the same industry classification. The score ranges from 0 to 100.										
Bloomberg	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, where	the weights are determined	ed by the pillar n	nonly ranking	values lance in	Sm 0 to 10: 11	is the best.		

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Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Bangkok Commercial Asset Mngt.	BAM TB	THB 8.00	HOLD	Downside risks to our NAV-based TP include 1) lower cash collection than estimated; 2) lower-than-expected bad debt acquisition; and 3) a slowdown in the property market. Upsides include 1) better-than-expected economic conditions and debt repayment momentum; and 2) an acceleration in the demand for NPAs.
Muangthai Capital	MTC TB	THB 46.20	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP include 1) a further weakening of asset quality that could potentially hit both loan yield and credit cost; and 2) changes in financial regulations by the Bank of Thailand and the Office of Consumer Protection Board. Upside risks are 1) positive developments in asset quality which could bring down its credit costs; and 2) a decreasing market interest rate, which could alleviate its cost of funds burden.
Aeon Thana Sinsap (Thailanc	d) AEONTS TB	THB 150.50	HOLD	Downside risks are: 1) regulatory actions to curb industry growth; 2) a higher-than- expected policy rate; and 3) deteriorating asset quality. Upside risks are: 1) better-than- estimated economic improvement; 2) stronger-than-estimated improvement in the overall asset quality; and 3) less pressure from the market yield and cost of funds.
Krungthai Card	КТС ТВ	THB 43.25	HOLD	Downside risks are: 1) regulatory actions to curb industry growth; 2) a higher-than- expected policy rate; and 3) deteriorating asset quality. Upside risks are: 1) better-than- estimated economic improvement; 2) stronger-than-estimated improvement in the overall asset quality; and 3) less pressure from the market yield and cost of funds.
Srisawad Corp	SAWAD TB	THB 40.50	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP include 1) a further weakening of asset quality that could potentially hit both loan yield and credit cost; and 2) changes in financial regulations by the Bank of Thailand and the Office of Consumer Protection Board. Upside risks include 1) a faster-than-expected decline in losses on sales of repossessed cars for SCAP; and 2) an interest rate downtrend could push its interest spread.
Ngern Tid Lor	TIDLOR TB	THB 23.30	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP include 1) the expansion into auto-title loans by the Government Savings Bank and Auto X (subsidiary of SCB X); 2) further weakening asset quality could potentially hit both loan yield and credit cost; and 3) tighter supervision from related regulators.
JMT Network Services	JMT TB	THB 23.00	HOLD	Downside risks to our P/BV-based TP include 1) lower cash collection from both debt management and debt tracking collection services; and 2) higher-than-expected funding costs and operating expenses. Upside risks includes 1) better-than-expected purchasing power and cash collection; and 2) lower-than-expected operating and financing expenses.
Chayo Group	CHAYO TB	THB 5.75	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP include 1) lower-than-expected bad debt acquisition; and 2) higher-than-expected operating expenses. Upside risks include 1) better-than- expected cash collection performance and lower pressure from ECL, 2) stronger-than- expected loan growth, and 3) better cost control than expected.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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