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Recovery signs in 1Q24E profit

KIATNAKIN PHATRA BANK

- We project 1Q24 net profit to rebound on higher expected dividend income and declining credit costs.
- We expect a continued improvement in asset quality, mainly due to its prudent credit policy since the beginning of 2023.
- Maintain HOLD for an attractive dividend yield of c6-7% p.a.

Lower credit costs and higher non-NII to push 1Q24 net profit

We project KKP's 1Q24 net profit to amount to THB824m, rising by 22.9% q-q but dropping by 60.5% y-y, and accounting for 14% of our fullyear forecast. Despite the expectation of a stable q-q loss on sales of repossessed cars, we estimate a continual decrease in ECL expenses, resulting in credit costs (including losses on sales of repossessed cars) declining to 270bp from 284bp in 4Q23. For non-NII, we forecast a surge of 12.0% g-g, due mainly to higher seasonal dividend income. Moreover, we anticipate the 1Q24 operating expenses to contract post seasonal effect in 4Q23, leading the cost-to-income ratio to finish at 65.1% from 65.9% in 4Q23. However, we expect a decrease in NII of 3.8% q-q (increasing 2.5% y-y) due to sluggish loan growth and a lower NIM, resulting in 1Q24 PPOP increasing slightly by 1.6% q-q (but decreasing 34.9% y-y). Hire-purchase loans (47% of total) are a considerable drag under its prudent credit policy.

Continued improvement in asset quality

We view KKP's asset quality as less of a concern than in 2023, given that there is no significant migration from stage 2 loans, which showed a rising trend during 4Q23. We expect the 1Q24 NPL ratio to continue decreasing to 3.25% from 3.31% in 4Q23, while the coverage ratio should increase to 159% from 156% in 4Q23. Excluding the loss on sales of repossessed cars, we estimate that credit costs should continue to reduce to 125bp from 143bp in 4Q23. However, we still have concerns about its rising stage 2 loans, which grew significantly by 5.6% q-q and 19.8% y-y in 4Q23.

Retain our profit growth forecast to reflect cautious 2024 outlook

We maintain our 2024-26 earnings forecast, growing by 6-7% p.a. We have factored KKP's 2024 guidance into this cautious outlook, which includes prolonged asset quality management and unfavorable market conditions. However, we expect KKP's 2024 profit to improve gradually in an upward trend.

Maintain HOLD for an attractive dividend yield of c6-7% p.a.

We reiterate our HOLD call for KKP. Our 2024 GGM-based TP is THB50.60, implying a P/BV of 0.67x (LT-ROE of 9.4% and COE of 13.1%). Despite the lack of upside at the current share price, we expect an attractive dividend yield at c6-7% p.a.

UNCHANGED

TARGET PRICE THB50.60 THB51.75 **CLOSE UP/DOWNSIDE** -2.2% THB50.60 **PRIOR TP CHANGE IN TP UNCHANGED** TP vs CONSENSUS -0.4%

KEY STOCK DATA

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Operating profit	6,787	7,270	7,733	8,305
Net profit	5,443	5,798	6,165	6,620
EPS (THB)	6.43	6.85	7.28	7.82
vs Consensus (%)	-	0.5	(2.8)	(5.3)
Recurring net profit	5,443	5,798	6,165	6,620
Core EPS (THB)	6.43	6.85	7.28	7.82
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-
EPS growth (%)	(28.4)	6.5	6.3	7.4
Core P/E (x)	8.1	7.6	7.1	6.6
Dividend yield (%)	6.3	6.8	7.2	7.5
Price/book (x)	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
ROE (%)	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.6
ROA (%)	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1



Share price performance	1 Month	3 Month	12 Month
Absolute (%)	6.2	3.5	(19.1)
Relative to country (%)	6.5	4.4	(8.5)
Mkt cap (USD m)			1,194
3m avg. daily turnover (USD m)			4.0
Free float (%)			93
Major shareholder		Thai N	IVDR (8%)
12m high/low (THB)		6	5.50/45.75
Issued shares (m)			847

Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates



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Investment thesis

- We have a less negative view of KKP's 2024 outlook regarding the improvement of its asset quality. However, potential downside risks come from the prospect of a significantly high loss from sales of repossessed assets and the recovery of the capital market.
- We retain our 2024-26E net profit, which has sluggish growth of c6-7% p.a. We have factored in KKP's 2024 guidance into this cautious outlook, which includes prolonged asset quality management and unfavorable market conditions.
- We reiterate our HOLD call for expected dividend yields of c6-7% p.a. Our 2024 GGM-based TP is THB50.60, implying a P/BV of 0.67x.

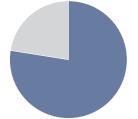
Company profile

KKP was created through the merger of a commercial banking business driven by Kiatnakin Bank and a capital market business led by Phatra Capital and Phatra Securities. KKP's banking operations are mostly geared toward retail, with auto hire purchase lending accounting for 49% of its loan portfolio at end-2022.

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Principal activities (revenue, 2023)

Net interest income - 77.5 %

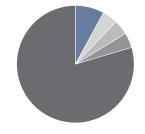


Non-interest income - 22.5 %

Source: Kiatnakin Bank

Major shareholders

- Thai NVDR 7.9 %
- Ms Thitinan Wattanavekin 4.2 %
- Eastern Sugar and Cane 4.1 %
- Ramkamhang Hospital 4.1 %
- Others 79.6 %



Source: Kiatnakin Bank

Catalysts

- Capital market conditions return to active mode with higher trading volumes.
- The efficiency of asset quality management is better than expected.
- Higher used car prices with lower supply from both banks and non-banks.
- The cost control policy of its cost of funds and operating expenses is better than expected.

Risks to our call

Downside risks to our GGM-based target price include weakening asset quality and lower fee income, and upside risks include better capital market conditions, higher used car prices, and strengthening asset quality.

Event calendar

Date	Event
Apr 2024	1Q24 results announcement

Key assumptions

	2024E	2025E	2026E
Net profit (THB m)	5,798	6,165	6,620
Net profit growth (%)	6.5	6.3	7.4
Loan growth (%)	3.0	3.0	3.0
Fee growth (%)	(0.5)	6.5	6.5
Non-NII growth (%)	0.0	6.7	5.7
Credit cost (bp)	260	248	233
NPL ratio (%)	3.30	3.28	3.28
LLR/NPL (%)	161	164	166

*1. NPL ratio: Excluding amount classified as Purchased or Originated Credit-Impaired (POCI) financial assets; 2. Credit cost: Expected credit loss plus loss from sale of repossessed cars excluding reversal of general provisions; 3. Excluding surplus on Land and Premises revaluation conducted during year 2022.

Source: FSSIA estimates

Earnings sensitivity

			2024E	
Loan growth	±2ppt	1	3	5
% change in net profit		(1.0)		1.0
Loan spread (%)	±5bp	5.09	5.14	5.19
% change in net profit		(3.0)		3.0
Credit cost (bp)	±10bp	250	260	270
% change in net profit		5.0		(5.0)

Source: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 1: KKP – 1Q24 earnings preview

Year-end Dec 31	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24E	Cha	nge	2023	2024E	Change
	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(THB m)	(THB m)	(y-y %				
Net interest income	5,223	5,521	5,988	5,562	5,352	(3.8)	2.5	22,294	22,735	2.
Non-interest income	1,718	1,902	1,456	1,393	1,561	12.0	(9.2)	6,469	6,472	0.
Fee income - net	1,343	1,464	1,337	1,333	1,321	(0.9)	(1.7)	5,476	5,449	(0.5
Total operating income	6,941	7,423	7,444	6,955	6,913	(0.6)	(0.4)	28,763	29,207	1.
Total operating expenses	3,239	3,791	4,281	4,584	4,503	(1.8)	39.0	15,894	16,266	2.
PPOP before tax	3,702	3,632	3,163	2,371	2,409	1.6	(34.9)	12,869	12,940	0
Expected credit loss	1,097	1,878	1,678	1,429	1,250	(12.5)	14.0	6,082	5,670	(6.
Income tax	517	342	201	270	333	23.1	(35.7)	1,331	1,454	9
Non-controlling interest	3	3	4	2	3	28.3	(9.3)	13	18	43
Normalised profit	2,085	1,408	1,281	670	824	22.9	(60.5)	5,443	5,798	6
Net profit	2,085	1,408	1,281	670	824	22.9	(60.5)	5,443	5,798	6
EPS (THB)	2.46	1.66	1.51	0.79	0.97	22.9	(60.5)	6.43	6.85	6
Key ratios	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24E	Change		2023	2024E	
Asset quality ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)	(%)	(%)	
Gross NPLs (THB m)	13,660	14,928	14,764	13,220	13,000	(1.1)	24.9	13,220	13,564	
Change (% from prior period)	4.8	9.3	(1.1)	(10.5)	(1.7)			1.4	2.6	
NPL ratio (%) - reported	3.30	3.60	3.50	3.20				3.20		
NPL ratio (%)	3.56	3.74	3.69	3.31	3.25			3.31	3.30	
Coverage ratio (%) - reported	152	143	145	165				165		
Coverage ratio (%)	143	136	139	156	159			156	161	
Credit cost (bp) - incl loss from repossessed car	233	292	304	284	270			282	260	
Profitability ratio	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	(%)	
Cost to income ratio	46.7	51.1	57.5	65.9	65.1			55.3	55.7	
Average yield (%)	5.84	6.14	6.58	6.32	6.35			6.22	6.32	
Cost of funds (%)	1.68	1.82	2.00	2.21	2.35			1.95	2.25	
oan spread	5.67	5.72	5.45	5.54	5.43			5.69	5.61	
NIM (%)	4.36	4.53	4.81	4.36	4.26			4.52	4.35	
Non-int inc/total income (%)	24.7	25.6	19.6	20.0	22.6			22.5	22.2	
oan growth	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)			(%)	(%)	
q-q	1.7	3.9	0.3	(0.3)	0.3					
у-у	17.4	18.6	11.3	5.7	4.2			5.7	3.0	
Year-to-date	1.7	5.7	6.1	5.7	0.3					
KKP - Loss (gain) from repossessed cars	1,120	978	1,364	1,409	1,450			4,871	4,871	
Credit cost (bp) excl. loss from repossessed cars	115	192	168	143	125			157	140	

Sources: KKP; FSSIA estimates

Sluggish 2M loan and deposit growth

KKP's net loans (after debt allowance) as of February 2024 amounted to THB387b, almost stable m-m, but increasing 2.9% y-y and 0.2% YTD. Auto hire-purchase loans (47% of total loans) showed a slight decrease, while other retail loans (21%, including P loans, micro-SMEs, and housing loans) increased slightly, as did commercial loans (15%), including medium-sized SMEs (8%) and real estate development groups (7%). Corporate loans (14%) were almost stable. Overall, 2M24 loans were consistent with KKP's 2024 guidance, which is not proactive with its target to grow at a mere 3% y-y following the pressures from car hire purchase loans and the proactive NPL resolution policies, which will also affect loan growth.

On the deposit side, the outstanding balance was THB352b in the same period, decreasing 2.7% m-m, 1.3% y-y, and 2.0% YTD, consistent with the loan situation. The decrease in deposits came mainly from the savings group, while fixed deposits also decreased. However, in 2024, the bank plans to have greater penetration into savings deposits after contracting significantly in 2023, with the proportion decreasing to only 35% from 59% in 2022, which should positively affect interest expenses in 2024.

Exhibit 2: KKP - C.B. 1.1 as of February 2024

(KKP)	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24
Growth (m-m %)													
Loan	1.26	0.18	1.60	0.40	0.82	(0.87)	0.64	0.59	(0.54)	0.76	(0.82)	0.17	(0.02)
Deposit	0.77	(0.55)	0.74	(2.42)	(1.58)	1.68	2.07	1.01	0.34	1.61	0.56	0.72	(2.70)
Deposit + Borrowing	(0.06)	(1.11)	1.76	(2.53)	(0.07)	0.89	1.24	0.34	0.89	1.57	0.20	0.16	(2.56)
Growth (y-y %)													
Loan	21.63	17.43	18.06	16.44	17.28	15.13	11.87	9.90	8.01	7.62	5.45	4.22	2.91
Deposit	19.45	15.23	12.84	7.01	4.04	5.59	2.78	4.02	0.83	8.41	8.32	4.95	1.33
Deposit + Borrowing	23.20	17.93	17.08	10.65	8.47	9.55	6.21	7.32	4.85	9.69	8.88	3.24	0.66
Growth (YTD %)													
Loan	2.63	2.81	4.45	4.86	5.72	4.80	5.47	6.10	5.52	6.33	5.45	0.17	0.15
Deposit	4.75	4.17	4.93	2.39	0.77	2.46	4.59	5.65	6.01	7.71	8.32	0.72	(2.01)
Deposit + Borrowing	5.56	4.39	6.22	3.54	3.47	4.39	5.69	6.04	6.98	8.66	8.88	0.16	(2.41)
LDR (%)	108.22	109.02	109.95	113.13	115.89	112.98	111.39	110.92	109.95	109.04	107.54	106.95	109.90

 $Sources: KKP; FSSIA's \ compilation$

Exhibit 3: KKP – staged loans and ECL

	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023
	(THB b)	(THB b)	(THB b)	(%)	(%)	
	Staged loans			% Staged loans		
Stage 1	287	346	363	91.21	90.41	89.63
Stage 2	17	23	27	5.41	5.94	6.74
Stage 3	11	14	15	3.38	3.64	3.64
Total	315	383	405	100.00	100.00	100.00
	Allowance for ECL			% ECL to staged I	oans	
Stage 1	8	9	9	2.88	2.46	2.42
Stage 2	3	4	5	16.79	16.73	17.90
Stage 3	4	6	7	40.76	42.72	47.91
Total	15	18	21	4.91	4.77	5.12
LLR / Loans	(%)	(%)	(%)			
Stage 1	2.88	2.46	2.42			
Stage 2	16.79	16.73	17.90			
Stage 3	40.76	42.72	47.91			
Total	4.91	4.77	5.12			
	(%)	(%)	(%)			
NPL / TL	3.38	3.64	3.64			
NPL vs. Stage 2 loans / TL	8.79	9.59	10.37			
LLR / NPL	145.34	131.00	140.83			
LLR / (NPL vs. Stage 2 loans)	55.90	49.78	49.37			

Sources: KKP; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 4: GGM-based 2024 TP

Gordon Growth Model	2024E
Sustainable ROE	9.4%
g	2.0%
ROE-g	7.4%
Beta	1.01
Risk free rate	3.0%
Risk premium	10.0%
COE	13.1%
COE-g	11.1%
ROE-g/COE-g; PBV (x)	0.67

Sources: FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 6: KKP - one-year prospective P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 5: Share price performance of banks under coverage, as of 20 March 2024

	Price performance									
	1M	3M	6M	1Y	YTD					
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)					
BBL TB	(3.48)	(9.18)	(16.06)	(8.58)	(11.50)					
KBANK TB	0.00	(5.70)	(2.36)	(6.06)	(8.15)					
KKP TB	3.03	2.00	(8.52)	(19.05)	1.49					
КТВ ТВ	(1.23)	(12.02)	(14.81)	(4.17)	(12.50)					
SCB TB	3.60	11.11	5.99	12.75	8.49					
TISCO TB	(0.50)	1.27	(0.50)	(1.00)	(0.25)					
ТТВ ТВ	(0.54)	15.63	8.82	36.03	10.78					
SETBANK	(0.13)	(0.98)	(5.97)	0.61	(3.22)					
SET	(1.47)	(2.25)	(9.32)	(12.93)	(3.01)					

Sources: Bloomberg

Exhibit 7: KKP - one-year prospective PER band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 8: Peer regional banks comparisons, as of 20 March 2024

Company name	BBG	Share	Target	Upside	Market	Р	E	PI	BV	R	OE	Div	yld
	code	price	price		Сар.	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E	23E	24E
		(LCY)	(LCY)	(%)	(USD b)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	(%)	(%)	(x)	(x
Thailand													
Bangkok Bank	BBL TB	138.50	191.00	38	7,308	6.3	6.0	0.5	0.4	7.7	7.6	4.7	4.
Kasikornbank	KBANK TB	124.00	140.00	13	8,121	6.7	6.2	0.5	0.5	8.1	8.4	4.2	4.
Krung Thai Bank	КТВ ТВ	16.10	19.90	24	6,220	6.0	5.8	0.5	0.5	9.0	8.7	4.8	5.
SCB X	SCB TB	115.00	118.00	3	10,703	8.8	8.3	8.0	0.7	9.0	9.1	6.7	7.
TMBThanachart Bank	ТТВ ТВ	1.85	2.19	18	4,953	10.9	10.7	8.0	0.7	7.0	7.0	5.2	5
Kiatnakin Bank	KKP TB	51.75	50.60	(2)	1,194	7.6	7.1	0.7	0.6	9.3	9.4	6.8	7.
Tisco Financial Group	TISCO TB	99.50	97.00	(3)	2,202	11.8	11.7	1.8	1.8	15.7	15.6	8.0	8.
Thailand weighted average					5,739	9.0	8.6	0.7	0.7	8.4	8.5	4.5	4
Hong Kong													
Industrial & Comm Bank of China	1398 HK	3.91	n/a	n/a	238,111	3.6	3.4	0.3	0.3	10.1	10.0	8.7	9
China Construction Bank	939 HK	4.72	n/a	n/a	154,024	3.2	3.0	0.3	0.3	11.0	10.7	9.4	9
HSBC Holdings	5 HK	59.60	n/a	n/a	144,709	6.0	6.2	8.0	0.7	14.7	12.3	10.2	8
Bank of China	3988 HK	3.21	n/a	n/a	161,657	3.9	3.7	0.4	0.3	9.8	9.5	8.0	8
Hong Kong average					174,625	4.2	4.1	0.5	0.4	11.4	10.6	9.1	8
China													
Industrial & Comm Bank of China	601398 CH	5.20	n/a	n/a	238,113	5.1	4.8	0.5	0.5	10.2	10.0	6.1	6
Agricultural Bank of China	601288 CH	4.13	n/a	n/a	195,789	5.4	5.1	0.6	0.5	10.7	10.5	5.7	6
China Construction Bank	601939 CH	6.74	n/a	n/a	154,025	4.9	4.7	0.5	0.5	11.1	10.8	6.1	6.
Bank of China	601988 CH	4.35	n/a	n/a	161,658	5.6	5.4	0.5	0.5	9.9	9.6	5.6	5.
China average					187,396	5.3	5.0	0.5	0.5	10.5	10.2	5.9	6.
South Korea													
KB Financial Group	105560 KS	73,800	n/a	n/a	22,238	5.7	5.2	0.5	0.4	8.8	8.9	4.5	4.
Shinhan Finanicial Group	055550 KS	48,800	n/a	n/a	18,686	5.3	5.0	0.5	0.4	8.8	8.7	4.5	4.
Hana Financial Group	086790 KS	62,000	n/a	n/a	13,536	4.9	4.6	0.4	0.4	9.3	9.2	5.9	6.
Industrial Bank of Korea	024110 KS	14,820	n/a	n/a	8,825	4.3	4.1	0.4	0.3	9.0	8.9	7.1	7.
South Korea average					15,821	5.1	4.7	0.4	0.4	9.0	9.0	5.5	5.
Indonesia													
Bank Central Asia	BBCA IJ	10,125	n/a	n/a	79,304	23.3	21.3	4.6	4.2	20.9	20.8	2.5	2.
Bank Rakyat Indonesia Persero	BBRI IJ	6,100	n/a	n/a	58,740	13.6	12.1	2.7	2.6	21.0	22.0	5.7	6.
Bank Mandiri Persero	BMRI IJ	7,050	n/a	n/a	41,807	11.3	10.4	2.3	2.1	21.5	21.3	5.0	5.
Bank Negara Indonesia Persero	BBNI IJ	5,875	n/a	n/a	13,922	9.2	8.2	1.3	1.2	15.1	15.5	4.8	5.
Bank Syariah Indonesia	BRIS IJ	2,660	n/a	n/a	7,796	18.5	15.9	2.8	2.5	16.5	16.9	0.9	1.
Indonesia average					40,314	15.2	13.6	2.8	2.5	19.0	19.3	3.8	4.
Malaysia													
Malayan Banking	MAY MK	9.57	n/a	n/a	24,378	11.8	11.2	1.2	1.2	10.4	10.6	6.4	6.
Public Bank	PBK MK	4.24	n/a	n/a	17,374	11.7	11.1	1.4	1.3	12.5	12.4	4.7	4.
CIMB Group Holdings	CIMB MK	6.48	n/a	n/a	14,589	9.2	8.7	1.0	0.9	10.7	10.8	6.0	6.
Hong Leong Bank	HLBK MK	19.32	n/a	n/a	8,841	9.9	9.2	1.1	1.0	11.5	11.4	3.4	3.
RHB Bank	RHBBANK MK	5.64	n/a	n/a	5,103	8.4	8.0	0.7	0.7	9.2	9.4	7.2	7.
Malaysia average					14,057	10.2	9.6	1.1	1.0	10.9	10.9	5.5	5.
Singapore													
DBS Group Holdings	DBS SP	34.94	n/a	n/a	67,225	9.2	9.2	1.4	1.4	16.0	15.3	6.6	7.
Oversea-Chinese Banking	OCBC SP	13.42	n/a	n/a	44,894	8.4	8.4	1.1	1.0	12.8	12.1	6.3	6.
United Overseas Bank	UOB SP	28.91	n/a	n/a	36,029	8.3	8.1	1.0	1.0	12.7	12.4	6.1	6.
Singapore average			.,,		49,382	8.7	8.5	1.2	1.1	13.8	13.3	6.4	6.
Regional average (excl. Thailand)					77,255	8.4	7.9	1.1	1.1	12.6	12.4	5.9	6.
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Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

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Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
nterest Income	23,671	30,718	33,039	34,225	35,429
nterest expense	(4,589)	(8,424)	(10,303)	(10,863)	(11,331)
Net interest income	19,081	22,294	22,735	23,362	24,098
Net fees & commission	6,165	5,476	5,449	5,803	6,180
Foreign exchange trading income	831	441	441	500	500
Securities trading income	(4)	(12)	0	0	0
Dividend income	507	340	347	353	361
Other income	958	224	235	247	259
Non interest income	8,457	6,469	6,472	6,904	7,300
Total income	27,539	28,763	29,207	30,266	31,399
Staff costs	(6,954)	(7,101)	(7,314)	(7,753)	(8,218)
Other operating costs	(6,058)	(8,793)	(8,952)	(8,939)	(8,860)
Operating costs	(13,013)	(15,894)	(16,266)	(16,692)	(17,078)
Pre provision operating profit	14,526	12,869	12,940	13,574	14,321
Expected credit loss	(5,036)	(6,082)	(5,670)	(5,841)	(6,016)
Other provisions	-	-	-	-	-
Operating profit	9,490	6,787	7,270	7,733	8,305
Recurring non operating income	0	0	0	0	0
Associates	-	-	-	-	_
Goodwill amortization	-	_	_	-	
Non recurring items	0	0	0	0	0
Profit before tax	9,490	6,787	7,270	7,733	8,305
Tax	(1,873)	(1,331)	(1,454)	(1,547)	(1,661)
Profit after tax	7,616	5,456	5,816	6,186	6,644
Non-controlling interest	(14)	(13)	(18)	(21)	(24)
Preferred dividends	-	(.0)	(.0)	(= ·)	(= .)
Other items	_	_	_	_	_
Reported net profit	7,602	5,443	5,798	6,165	6,620
Non recurring items & goodwill (net)	- ,002	-	0	0	0,020
Recurring net profit	7,602	5,443	5,798	6,165	6,620
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Per share (THB) Recurring EPS *	8.98	6.43	6.85	7.28	7.82
Reported EPS DPS	8.98	6.43	6.85	7.28	7.82 3.90
Growth	3.25	3.25	3.50	3.75	3.90
	24.5	40.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Net interest income (%)	21.5	16.8	2.0	2.8	3.2
Non interest income (%)	(1.0)	(23.5)	0.0	6.7	5.7
Pre provision operating profit (%)	11.8	(11.4)	0.6	4.9	5.5
Operating profit (%)	21.7	(28.5)	7.1	6.4	7.4
Reported net profit (%)	20.3	(28.4)	6.5	6.3	7.4
Recurring EPS (%)	20.3	(28.4)	6.5	6.3	7.4
Reported EPS (%)	20.3	(28.4)	6.5	6.3	7.4
ncome Breakdown					
Net interest income (%)	69.3	77.5	77.8	77.2	76.7
Net fees & commission (%)	22.4	19.0	18.7	19.2	19.7
Foreign exchange trading income (%)	3.0	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.6
Securities trading income (%)	0.0	0.0	-	-	-
Dividend income (%)	1.8	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1
Other income (%)	3.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Operating performance					
Gross interest yield (%)	5.43	6.25	6.32	6.31	6.30
Cost of funds (%)	1.20	1.95	2.25	2.29	2.31
Net interest spread (%)	4.23	4.30	4.07	4.02	3.99
Net interest margin (%)	4.4	4.5	4.3	4.3	4.3
Cost/income(%)	47.3	55.3	55.7	55.2	54.4
Cost/assets(%)	2.8	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.9
Effective tax rate (%)	19.7	19.6	20.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	36.2	50.6	51.1	51.5	49.9
ROE (%)	14.0	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.6
ROE - COE (%)	3.2	(1.6)	(1.5)	(1.4)	(1.2)
ROA (%)	1.6	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1
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Sources: Kiatnakin Bank; FSSIA estimates

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Balance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Gross customer loans	373,436	399,045	411,016	423,347	436,047
Allowance for expected credit loss	(18,969)	(20,667)	(21,838)	(22,778)	(23,794)
interest in suspense	10,403	6,448	11,344	11,684	12,035
Net customer loans	364,871	384,826	400,523	412,253	424,288
Bank loans	45,732	62,029	64,511	67,091	69,775
Government securities	-	-	-	-	
Trading securities	18,703	16,035	16,837	17,679	18,563
nvestment securities	31,868	36,282	39,888	43,876	48,264
Cash & equivalents	1,000	1,382	1,314	1,772	1,379
Other interesting assets	-	-	-	-	•
Γangible fixed assets	13,200	14,677	16,135	17,358	18,684
Associates	-	-	-	-	•
Goodwill	3,066	3,066	3,066	3,066	3,066
Other intangible assets	1,670	1,954	1,954	1,954	1,954
Other assets	27,527	25,077	20,885	19,256	19,431
Total assets	507,637	545,327	565,111	584,305	605,404
Customer deposits	331,464	358,903	369,670	380,760	392,182
Bank deposits	20,175	23,035	25,339	26,606	27,936
Other interest bearing liabilities	61,354	68,900	71,656	74,522	78,621
Non interest bearing liabilities	36,532	33,237	34,034	34,684	35,362
Hybrid Capital	-	-	-	-	
Total liabilities	449,526	484,074	500,698	516,572	534,101
Share capital	8,468	8,468	8,468	8,468	8,468
Reserves	49,356	52,499	55,645	58,950	62,504
Total equity	57,824	60,967	64,112	67,418	70,972
Non-controlling interest	288	286	300	315	331
Total liabilities & equity	507,637	545,327	565,111	584,305	605,404
Supplementary items					
Risk weighted assets (RWA)	374,621	402,435	417,034	431,199	446,769
Average interest earning assets	435,557	491,565	522,822	542,123	562,321
Average interest bearing liabilities	380,922	431,915	458,751	474,276	490,313
CET 1 capital	49,906	53,916	49,726	53,757	53,757
Fotal capital	62,299	66,310	62,120	66,151	66,151
Gross non performing loans (NPL)	13,031	13,220	13,564	13,886	14,302
Per share (THB)					
Book value per share	68.29	72.00	75.72	79.62	83.82
Fangible book value per share	62.69	66.07	69.79	73.69	77.89
Growth					
Gross customer loans	21.7	6.9	3.0	3.0	3.0
Average interest earning assets	18.8	12.9	6.4	3.7	3.7
otal asset (%)	16.4	7.4	3.6	3.4	3.6
Risk weighted assets (%)	19.5	7.4	3.6	3.4	3.6
Customer deposits (%)	14.9	8.3	3.0	3.0	3.0
Leverage & capital measures	14.5	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0
•	110.1	107.2	108.3	108.3	108.2
Customer loan/deposits (%)					
Equity/assets (%)	11.4	11.2	11.3	11.5	11.7
Fangible equity/assets (%)	10.5	10.3	10.5	10.7	10.9
RWA/assets (%)	73.8	73.8	73.8	73.8	73.8
CET 1 CAR (%)	13.3	13.4	11.9	12.5	12.0
Fotal CAR (%)	16.6	16.5	14.9	15.3	14.8
Asset Quality (FSSIA's calculation)					
Change in NPL (%)	27.9	1.5	2.6	2.4	3.0
NPL/gross loans (%)	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
Allowance for ECL/gross loans (%)	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.5
Allowance for ECL/NPL (%)	145.6	156.3	161.0	164.0	166.4
/aluation	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Recurring P/E (x) *	5.8	8.1	7.6	7.1	6.6
Recurring P/E @ target price (x) *	5.6	7.9	7.4	6.9	6.5
Reported P/E (x)	5.8	8.1	7.6	7.1	6.6
Dividend yield (%)	6.3	6.3	6.8	7.2	7.5
Price/book (x)	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
Price/tangible book (x)	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7
Price/tangible book @ target price (x)	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6
Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted					

Sources: Kiatnakin Bank; FSSIA estimates

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Exhibit 9: FSSIA ESG score implication

62.96 /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 10: 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
BBL	62.08		Υ	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	54.70		29.00	58.68	67.00	2.19	60.06
KBANK	84.17	Υ	Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	62.19	AA	46.00	73.83	83.00	4.05	59.77
KTB	63.10		Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	53.59	BBB	34.00	64.64	64.00	2.12	59.11
SCB	62.57	Υ	Y	Y	5.00	4.00		High		Α			86.00	3.43	
KKP	62.96		Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	52.81	BBB		77.56	26.00	2.18	45.90
TISCO	61.17		Y	Y	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	61.41			66.13	29.00	3.57	44.21
TTB	63.69		Y	Υ	5.00	5.00	Certified	Medium	53.98		36.00	56.17	71.00	3.20	52.96

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

Exhibit 11: ESG score by Bloomberg

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
ESG financial materiality scores - ESG score	_	_	2.86	2.18
BESG environmental pillar score	_	_	0.08	0.08
BESG social pillar score	_	_	3.95	2.45
BESG governance pillar score	_	_	5.02	4.76
ESG disclosure score	46.15	46.69	45.56	45.90
Environmental disclosure score	31.23	31.56	28.18	28.18
Social disclosure score	19.71	20.98	20.98	22.01
Governance disclosure score	87.36	87.36	87.36	87.36
Environmental				
Emissions reduction initiatives	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change policy	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Climate change opportunities discussed	No	No	No	No
Risks of climate change discussed	No	No	No	No
GHG scope 1	2	2	3	3
GHG scope 2 location-based	4	4	3	4
GHG Scope 3	_	_	_	_
Carbon per unit of production	_	_	_	_
Biodiversity policy	No	No	No	No
Energy efficiency policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total energy consumption	18	16	16	19
Renewable energy use	_	_	_	_
Electricity used	8	8	5	7
Fuel used - natural gas	_	_	_	_

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 12: ESG score by Bloomberg (cont.)

FY ending Dec 31	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 202
Fuel used - crude oil/diesel	No	No	No	N
Waste reduction policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Hazardous waste	_	_	_	-
Total waste	_	_	_	_
Waste recycled	_	_	_	-
Waste sent to landfills	_	_	_	_
Environmental supply chain management	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Water policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Water consumption	74	66	38	5
Social				
Human rights policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υe
Policy against child labor	No	Yes	Yes	Ye
Quality assurance and recall policy	No	No	No	N
Consumer data protection policy	No	No	No	Ye
Equal opportunity policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Υe
Gender pay gap breakout	No	No	No	N
Pct women in workforce	61	61	62	(
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	0	
Total recordable incident rate - employees	_	_	_	
Training policy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Fair remuneration policy	No	No	No	
Number of employees – CSR	4,042	3,761	3,704	3,8
Employee turnover pct	10	10	11	0,0
Total hours spent by firm - employee training	73,784	71,497	48,597	60,1
Social supply chain management	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
Governance	. 55			
Board size	12	12	12	
No. of independent directors (ID)	4	4	4	
No. of women on board	2	3	3	
No. of non-executive directors on board	7	8	8	
Company conducts board evaluations	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ye
No. of board meetings for the year	11	14	11	
Board meeting attendance pct	94	99	99	•
	3	3	3	•
Board duration (years)	No	No	No	N
Director share ownership guidelines				
Age of the youngest director	50	51	52	:
Age of the oldest director	71	72	73	
No. of executives / company managers	42	40	40	4
No. of female executives	12 No.	15 N-	15 No.	
Executive share ownership guidelines	No	No	No	N
Size of audit committee	3	3	3	
No. of ID on audit committee	3	3	3	
Audit committee meetings	11	12	16	
Audit meeting attendance %	100	100	94	Ç
Size of compensation committee	3	3	3	
No. of ID on compensation committee	2	2	2	
No. of compensation committee meetings	7	5	6	
Compensation meeting attendance %	100	100	94	10
Size of nomination committee	3	3	3	
No. of nomination committee meetings	7	5	6	
Nomination meeting attendance %	100	100	94	10
Sustainability governance				
Verification type	No	No	No	١

Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA's compilation

Disclaimer for ESG scoring

ESG score	Methodolog	у			Rating								
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Jones			panies' Total Sustainabi		Sustainability Assessment (CSA) for DJSI. Companies with an S&P Globa								
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List (THSI)			preemptive criteria, with		during the assessment year. The scoring will be fairly weighted again								
by The Stock			e board members and e		nature of the relevant industry and materiality.								
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			social & environmental		>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 weigh								
	negative terri	tory; and 5) ea	arnings in red for > 3 ye	ars in the last 5 years.	maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.								
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(Thai IOD)					responsibilities	(35%).							
AGM level			hich shareholders' right				four categories:						
By Thai			into business operation		Very Good (90-	99), 3 for Fair	(80-89), and not	rated for scor	es below 79.				
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Action Against			an 18-month deadline to su essment, in place of policy a										
Corruption (CAC)	managers and	employees, esta	ablishment of whistleblowing										
		of policies to all											
Morningstar Sustainalytics			sk rating provides an ove of how much of a compa				score is the sum		d risk. The				
Sustamarytics			to be reviewed include corp	• •	more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.								
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Company	Ticker	Price	Rating	Valuation & Risks
Kiatnakin Bank	ККР ТВ	THB 51.75	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based target price include weakening asset quality and lower fee income and upside risks include better capital market conditions, higher used car prices, and strengthening asset quality.
Tisco Financial	TISCO TB	THB 99.50	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) aggressive loan growth; and 2) well-controlled asset quality.
Bangkok Bank	BBL TB	THB 138.50	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) an impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
Kasikornbank	KBANK TB	THB 124.00	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) government stimulus projects leading to economic recovery; and 2) the rising NIM from well-controlled cost of funds.
Krung Thai Bank	КТВ ТВ	THB 16.10	HOLD	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand. Upside risks are 1) broad-based economic recovery supporting higher loan growth; and 2) asset quality improvement, mainly from the retail segment, reducing its ECL burdens. By contrast, upside risks comprise better economic conditions and strengthening asset quality.
SCB X	SCB TB	THB 115.00	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.
TMBThanachart Bank	ТТВ ТВ	THB 1.85	BUY	Downside risks to our GGM-based TP are 1) prolonged economic sluggishness affecting loan growth and asset quality; and 2) the impact of new regulations from the Bank of Thailand.

Source: FSSIA estimates

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Stock ratings

Stock ratings are based on absolute upside or downside, which we define as (target price* - current price) / current price.

BUY (B). The upside is 10% or more.

HOLD (H). The upside or downside is less than 10%.

REDUCE (R). The downside is 10% or more.

Unless otherwise specified, these recommendations are set with a 12-month horizon. Thus, it is possible that future price volatility may cause a temporary mismatch between upside/downside for a stock based on market price and the formal recommendation.

* In most cases, the target price will equal the analyst's assessment of the current fair value of the stock. However, if the analyst doesn't think the market will reassess the stock over the specified time horizon due to a lack of events or catalysts, then the target price may differ from fair value. In most cases, therefore, our recommendation is an assessment of the mismatch between current market price and our assessment of current fair value.

Industry Recommendations

Overweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be positive over the next 12 months. **Neutral.** The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be maintained over the next 12 months.

Underweight. The analyst expects the fundamental conditions of the sector to be negative over the next 12 months.

Country (Strategy) Recommendations

Overweight (O). Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on two or more of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.

Neutral (N). Over the next 12 months, the analyst expects the market to score positively on one of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.

Underweight (U). Over the next 12 months, the analyst does not expect the market to score positively on any of the criteria used to determine market recommendations: index returns relative to the regional benchmark, index sharpe ratio relative to the regional benchmark and index returns relative to the market cost of equity.