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AP (THAILAND) **AP TB** THAILAND / PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

# Dull 1Q24E profit before a 2Q24 recovery

- We expect the 1Q24 profit to drop 25% q-q and 32% y-y due to lower transfers brought on by sluggish low-rises and the gross margin weakness to its normalized level.
- We expect the 1Q24 presales to be this year's trough before an acceleration in 2Q24.
- Retain our TP of THB13.20 and BUY call on a 6.6% dividend yield with an XD on May 8.

# 1Q24 profit should drop 25% q-q and 32% y-y

We expect a 1Q24 net profit of THB1b (-25% q-q, -32% y-y), close to our previous estimate. The anticipated losses are due mainly to lower transfers of THB7.8b (-13% q-q, -15% y-y), pressured by low-rises of THB7.25b (-14% qq, -16% y-y) after sluggish presales and fewer new launches. Condo transfers should decrease 5% q-q but jump 12% y-y from higher inventory sales, particularly Aspire Erawan Prime. Also, the gross margin of property sales should drop to 33.9% from 35.2% in 4Q23 and 35.5% in 1Q23 when AP realized unusually high-margin low-rise projects.

# Expect strong profit recovery in 2Q24 due to transfers of three new condos

If 1Q24 is in line, it secures 16% of our full-year estimate of THB6.2b (+2% yy). In this regard, 1Q24 should be the bottom of this year. The 2Q24 profit looks set to increase sharply q-q, supported by three newly-built condos, including AP's Aspire Ratchayothin (THB1.5b, 90% sold) and two JV projects (Life Phahon-Ladprao, THB3.5b, 54% sold and Life Rama 4-Asoke, THB6.5b, 43% sold). We anticipate a consistently high 3Q24 profit driven by continued condo transfers. Also, low-rise transfers should accelerate from aggressive new launches in 2Q24. Note AP has a THB14b backlog to realize as revenue in the rest of this year, securing 58% of our transfer estimate.

# Aggressive new launch plan to drive presales and transfer growth

AP plans the highest new launches of this year in 2Q24. It includes 22 projects and a combined value of THB27b (+449% q-q, +64% y-y), representing 48% of the full-year plan. They comprise 18 low-rises with a combined value of THB19b and four condos with a combined value of THB8.6b, mainly in May and June. Also, AP would benefit from the property stimulus measures to cut transfer and mortgage fees for units under THB7 to 0.01% from early April since 45% of its units available for sale fall under this category. It should help drive presales growth in 2Q24 and higher low-rise transfers in 2H24.

# Retain TP of THB13.20 and BUY rating

Although 1Q24 may be dull, AP will go XD on its 2023 DPS of THB0.70, implying a 6.6% yield, on May 8. If we look past it to 2Q24, presales and profit would accelerate. Also, AP plans to introduce new condos in May-June. If they receive a positive response, it will support the stock. Since AP traded on a 2024 PE of only 5.4x, we retain a BUY call at our TP of THB13.20.



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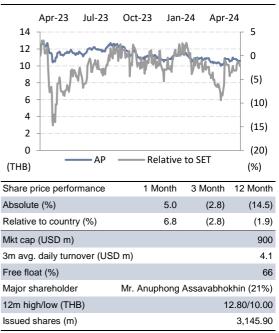
-2.9%

TARGET PRICE	THB13.20
CLOSE	THB10.60
UP/DOWNSIDE	+24.5%
PRIOR TP	THB13.20
CHANGE IN TP	UNCHANGED

**KEY STOCK DATA** 

**TP vs CONSENSUS** 

YE Dec (THB m)	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E
Revenue	38,045	39,723	41,224	44,246
Net profit	6,054	6,164	6,330	6,574
EPS (THB)	1.92	1.96	2.01	2.09
vs Consensus (%)	-	(0.6)	(1.4)	(0.5)
EBITDA	6,668	6,625	6,894	7,389
Recurring net profit	6,043	6,164	6,330	6,574
Core EPS (THB)	1.92	1.96	2.01	2.09
Chg. In EPS est. (%)	-	-	-	-
EPS growth (%)	2.9	2.0	2.7	3.9
Core P/E (x)	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.1
Dividend yield (%)	6.6	6.6	6.8	7.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.9	9.4	8.7	7.7
Price/book (x)	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6
Net debt/Equity (%)	79.4	64.8	54.2	44.8
ROE (%)	15.6	14.4	13.5	12.9



Sources: Bloomberg consensus; FSSIA estimates

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## **Investment thesis**

AP disclosed a cautious 2024 plan, with an expected recovery in 2H24. It plans to introduce 48 new projects (78% low-rises and 22% condos) with a combined value of THB58b (-24% y-y). Along with inventory sales, they would help drive the presales target of THB57b (+11% y-y), comprising low-rises of THB39b (+16.5% y-y) and condos of THB18b (flat y-y).

AP has strengths in its flexible and well-diversified portfolio. It covers low-rise and condo projects in every market segment in Bangkok and other provinces, which should help increase and sustain growth potential. Also, the strategy for continuously aggressive new launches in multiple locations would support a high market share.

# **Company profile**

AP develops property for sale, including condos, townhomes, detached houses, semi-detached, and home offices. They are in urban areas and business centers, offering convenience and designs that answer each customer group's demand. Also, it provides comprehensive property-related services under its affiliates.

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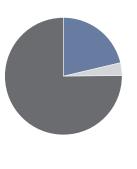
# Principal activities (revenue, 2023)

- Sales 97.1 %
- Service income 2.9 %

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 condo launches;
- 2) Positive response for the new low-rise projects;
- 3) Sooner-than-expected recovery in the economy and
- property market;
- 4) Extended new high profits;
- 5) Property stimulus and LTV easing;
- 6) An interest rate downtrend.

# **Risks to our call**

Downside risks to our P/E-based TP include 1) a higherthan-expected slowdown in the low-rise market; 2) lowerthan-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
7 May 2024	1Q24 results announcement

# **Key assumptions**

	2024E	2025E	2026E
Transfer revenue (THB m)	38,549	39,991	42,951
Service income (THB m)	1,174	1,233	1,294
Property GPM (%)	33.5	33.5	33.5
GPM (%)	34.8	34.8	34.8
SG&A to sales (%)	18.6	18.6	18.6

Source: FSSIA estimates

#### 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%, and vice versa, all else being equal.
- For every 0.5% increase in SG&A to sales, we estimate 2024 net profit to fall by 3%, and vice versa, all else being equal

Source: FSSIA estimates

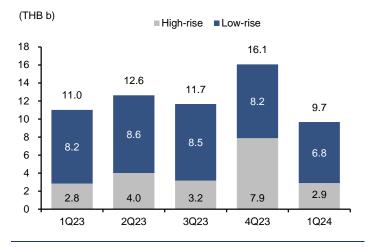


# Exhibit 1: AP - 1Q24 results preview

	1Q23	2Q23	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24E	Chang	e
	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)				
Total revenue	9,409	9,282	10,068	9,287	8,080	(13)	(14)
Gross profit	3,445	3,486	3,572	3,394	2,871	(15)	(17)
SG&A	(1,853)	(1,725)	(1,818)	(2,125)	(1,711)	n/a	n/a
Operating profit	1,592	1,761	1,755	1,269	1,160	(9)	(27)
Other income	33	108	22	179	20	(89)	(39)
Interest expense	(76)	(81)	(49)	(56)	(85)	n/a	n/a
Profit before tax	1,549	1,608	1,717	1,417	1,095	(23)	(29)
Тах	(309)	(353)	(338)	(305)	(235)	n/a	n/a
Associates	238	289	317	211	142	(33)	(40)
Reported net profit	1,478	1,544	1,696	1,335	1,002	(25)	(32)
Normalised profit	1,478	1,544	1,696	1,323	1,002	(24)	(32)
Key ratios (%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)	(ppt)	(ppt)
Property gross margin	35.5	36.3	34.2	35.2	33.9	(1.3)	(1.6)
Gross margin	36.6	37.6	35.5	36.5	35.5	(1.0)	(1.1)
Operating margin	16.9	19.0	17.4	13.7	14.4	0.7	(2.6)
Net profit margin	15.7	16.6	16.9	14.4	12.4	(2.0)	(3.3)
Normalised profit margin	15.7	16.6	16.9	14.2	12.4	(1.9)	(3.3)
Operating statistics	(THB m)	(q-q%)	(y-y%)				
Property transfers	9,144	9,009	9,765	9,009	7,800	(13)	(15)
Low-rise	8,657	8,701	8,664	8,433	7,254	(14)	(16)
High-rise	487	308	1,101	576	546	(5)	12
Presales	11,016	12,631	11,677	16,067	9,671	(40)	(12)
Low-rise	8,172	8,622	8,499	8,190	6,782	(17)	(17)
High-rise	2,844	4,009	3,178	7,877	2,889	(63)	2

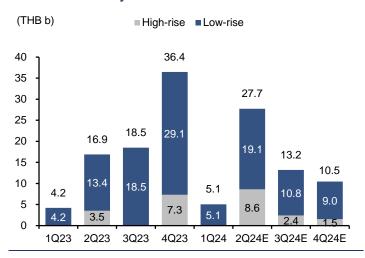
Sources: AP; FSSIA estimates

# Exhibit 2: Quarterly presales



Sources: AP; FSSIA's compilation

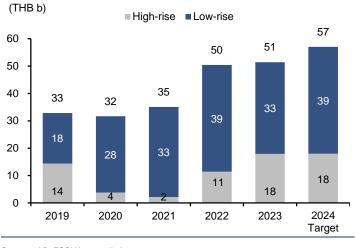
# Exhibit 3: Quarterly new launches



Sources: AP; FSSIA's compilation

Target

## Exhibit 4: Yearly presales



Sources: AP; FSSIA's compilation

Sources: AP; FSSIA's compilation

Exhibit 5: Yearly new launches

High-rise Low-rise

(THB b)



Source: AP





Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

Exhibit 8: Historical P/BV band



Sources: Bloomberg; FSSIA estimates

# **Financial Statements**

AP (Thailand)

Profit and Loss (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	20265
Revenue	38,539	38,045	39,723	41,224	44,246
Cost of goods sold	(25,475)	(24,148)	(25,895)	(26,865)	(28,846
Gross profit	13,064	13,897	13,828	14,359	15,400
Other operating income	0	0	0	0	(
Operating costs	(7,248)	(7,520)	(7,388)	(7,668)	(8,230
Operating EBITDA	6,107	6,668	6,625	6,894	7,389
Depreciation	(291)	(290)	(185)	(202)	(219
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	(
Operating EBIT	5,816	6,377	6,439	6,691	7,170
Net financing costs	(99)	(247)	(236)	(188)	(170
Associates	1,233	1,055	1,073	999	846
Recurring non-operating income	1,385	1,215	1,233	1,159	1,006
Non-recurring items	4	12	0	0	(
Profit before tax	7,106	7,358	7,436	7,662	8,006
Тах	(1,230)	(1,304)	(1,273)	(1,333)	(1,432
Profit after tax	5,876	6,054	6,164	6,330	6,574
Minority interests	1	0	0	0	(
Preferred dividends	0	0	0	0	(
Other items	0	0	0	0	(
Reported net profit	5,877	6,054	6,164	6,330	6,574
Non-recurring items & goodwill (net)	(4)	(12)	0	0	(
Recurring net profit	5,874	6,043	6,164	6,330	6,574
Per share (THB)					
Recurring EPS *	1.87	1.92	1.96	2.01	2.09
Reported EPS	1.87	1.92	1.96	2.01	2.09
DPS	0.65	0.70	0.70	0.72	0.75
Diluted shares (used to calculate per share data)	3,146	3,146	3,146	3,146	3,146
Growth					
Revenue (%)	21.2	(1.3)	4.4	3.8	7.3
Operating EBITDA (%)	28.2	9.2	(0.6)	4.1	7.2
Operating EBIT (%)	29.7	9.6	1.0	3.9	7.2
Recurring EPS (%)	29.3	2.9	2.0	2.7	3.9
Reported EPS (%)	29.4	3.0	1.8	2.7	3.9
Operating performance					
Gross margin inc. depreciation (%)	33.9	36.5	34.8	34.8	34.8
Gross margin exc. depreciation (%)	34.7	37.3	35.3	35.3	35.3
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	15.8	17.5	16.7	16.7	16.7
Operating EBIT margin (%)	15.1	16.8	16.2	16.2	16.2
Net margin (%)	15.2	15.9	15.5	15.4	14.9
Effective tax rate (%)	20.9	20.7	20.0	20.0	20.0
Dividend payout on recurring profit (%)	34.8	36.4	35.9	36.0	36.0
nterest cover (X)	72.7	30.8	32.5	41.9	48.1
nventory days	743.8	971.2	1,018.4	991.2	940.3
Debtor days	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.4
Creditor days	41.0	47.8	43.6	43.3	42.6
Dperating ROIC (%)	9.6	8.6	7.8	8.0	8.5
ROIC (%)	10.2	9.1	8.3	8.3	8.5
ROE (%)	17.0	15.6	14.4	13.5	12.9
ROA (%) * Pre-exceptional, pre-goodwill and fully diluted	9.3	8.2	7.5	7.5	7.6
Revenue by Division (THB m)	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	20265
Sales	37,522	36,927	38,549	39,991	42,951
Service income	1,017	1,118	1,174	1,233	1,294

Sources: AP (Thailand); FSSIA estimates

# **Financial Statements**

AP (Thailand)

Cash Flow (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026
Recurring net profit	5,874	6,043	6,164	6,330	6,57
Depreciation	291	290	185	202	21
ssociates & minorities	-	-	-	-	
ther non-cash items	4	12	0	0	
hange in working capital	(6,585)	(14,896)	(44)	(1,188)	(872
ash flow from operations	(417)	(8,552)	6,305	5,344	5,92
apex - maintenance	0	0	0	0	(000
apex - new investment	(179)	(279)	(703)	(545)	(838
let acquisitions & disposals	-	-	-	-	
Other investments (net) Cash flow from investing	- (470)	- (270)	- (702)	-	(020
5	(179)	<b>(279)</b> (2,045)	(703)	(545)	(838
ividends paid quity finance	(1,572) 0	(2,045)	(2,213) 0	(2,279) 0	(2,367
lebt finance	1,749	11,267	(3,075)	(2,491)	(2,490
Other financing cash flows	(1)	0	(3,073)	(2,431)	(2,430
Cash flow from financing	176	9,221	(5,288)	(4,769)	(4,857
lon-recurring cash flows	-	5,221	(3,200)	(4,703)	(4,007
Other adjustments	0	0	0	0	
let other adjustments	ů	Ő	Ő	Ő	
lovement in cash	(420)	391	315	31	22
ree cash flow to firm (FCFF)	(491.91)	(8,569.86)	5,853.00	5,001.66	5,267.9
ree cash flow to equity (FCFE)	1,152.31	2,435.47	2,527.58	2,309.31	2,593.5
er share (THB)					
CFF per share	(0.16)	(2.72)	1.86	1.59	1.6
CFE per share	0.37	0.77	0.80	0.73	0.8
ecurring cash flow per share	1.96	2.02	2.02	2.08	2.1
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alance Sheet (THB m) Year Ending Dec	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026
angible fixed assets (gross)	1,904	1,671	1,636	1,725	1,81
ess: Accumulated depreciation	(291)	(290)	(185)	(202)	(219
angible fixed assets (net)	1,614	1,381	1,450	1,522	1,59
ntangible fixed assets (net)	0	0	0	0	
ong-term financial assets	0	0	0	0	7.00
nvest. in associates & subsidiaries	6,481	6,702	7,150	7,420	7,96
Cash & equivalents	1,650	2,041	2,355	2,386	2,61
/C receivable	104	145	159	165	17
nventories	55,261	71,705	71,757 794	73,061	74,43 88
Other current assets Current assets	1,874 <b>58,889</b>	681 <b>74,572</b>	794 75,065	824 <b>76,436</b>	00 78,11
Other assets	1,243	1,288	1,351	1,402	1,50
Fotal assets	68,227	83,944	85,016	86,780	89,17
Common equity	36,747	40,757	44,708	48,759	52,96
Ainorities etc.	(19)	(20)	(20)	(20)	(20
otal shareholders' equity	36,728	40,737	44,688	48,739	52,94
ong term debt	15,284	20,964	19,217	19,227	18,23
Other long-term liabilities	675	913	984	1,021	1,09
ong-term liabilities	15,959	21,877	20,201	20,248	19,33
/C payable	3,211	3,033	3,107	3,224	3,46
Short term debt	7,841	13,428	12,099	9,599	8,09
Other current liabilities	4,487	4,868	4,920	4,970	5,33
Current liabilities	15,539	21,329	20,127	17,793	16,89
otal liabilities and shareholders' equity	68,227	83,944	85,016	86,780	89,17
let working capital	49,540	64,630	64,683	65,856	66,70
nvested capital	58,878	74,001	74,634	76,200	77,76
Includes convertibles and preferred stock which is beir	ng treated as debt				
er share (THB)					
ook value per share	11.68	12.96	14.21	15.50	16.8
angible book value per share	11.68	12.96	14.21	15.50	16.8
inancial strength					
let debt/equity (%)	58.5	79.4	64.8	54.2	44.
let debt/total assets (%)	31.5	38.5	34.1	30.5	26.
urrent ratio (x)	3.8	3.5	3.7	4.3	4.
F interest cover (x)	14.4	12.0	14.7	16.2	21.
aluation	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026
ecurring P/E (x) *	5.7	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.
ecurring P/E @ target price (x) *	7.1	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.
eported P/E (x)	5.7	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.
ividend yield (%)	6.1	6.6	6.6	6.8	7.
rice/book (x)	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.
rice/tangible book (x)	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.
V/EBITDA (x) **	9.0	9.9	9.4	8.7	7.
V/EBITDA @ target price (x) **	10.3	11.1	10.6	9.9	8.
V/invested capital (x)	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.

Sources: AP (Thailand); FSSIA estimates



# AP (Thailand) PCL (AP TB)

# Exhibit 9: FSSIA ESG score implication

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

Sources: SETTRADE.com; FSSIA's compilation

# Exhibit 11: 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 12: 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	IY			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 compa	transparent, rules-based panies' Total Sustainabi al Corporate Sustainabil anies within each industr	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 bu Candidates ( 1) no irregula float of >150 up capital. S 70%; 2) inde wrongdoing	usiness with tra- must pass the ar trading of th shareholders ome key disque pendent direc related to CG,	lity in Environmental and ansparency in Governan preemptive criteria, with be board members and e , and combined holding i Jalifying criteria include: tors and free float violati social & environmental arnings in red for > 3 yea	ace, updated annually. 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 at maximum, and no cap for number of stocks.							
CG Score by Thai Institute of Directors Association (Thai IOD)	annually by t Thailand (SE	the Thai IOD,	h in sustainable develop with support from the St is are from the perspecti 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 a out of five th criteria cove date (45%), <i>circulation of s</i> <i>exercised. The</i> <i>and verifiability</i>	e incorporated and sufficiently e CG compon- r AGM proced and after the r sufficient informate e second assesss y; and 3) openne	which shareholders' right: I into business operation y disclosed. All form impu- ents to be evaluated anr ures before the meeting meeting (10%). (The first a tion for voting; and 2) facilita es 1) the ease of attending n ses for Q&A. The third involve es, resolutions and voting re	s and information is ortant elements of two nually. The assessment (45%), at the meeting assesses 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)	establishmen policies. The (Companies d Declaration of Certification, ir managers and	nt of key contro e Certification i eciding to becom Intent to kick off including risk asso	Checklist include corrupti ols, and the monitoring a is good for three years. ne a CAC certified member s an 18-month deadline to sui essment, in place of policy a ablishment of whistleblowing II stakeholders.)	and developing of start by submitting a bmit the CAC Checklist for nd control, training of	The document will be reviewed by a committee of nine professionals. A passed Checklist will move for granting certification by the CAC Council approvals whose members are twelve highly respected individuals in professionalism and ethical achievements.							
<u>Morningstar</u> Sustainalytics	based on an risk is unma	assessment on aged. Sources	sk rating provides an ove of how much of a compa s to be reviewed include corp her media, NGO reports/web	A company's ESG risk rating score is the sum of unmanaged risk. The more risk is unmanaged, the higher ESG risk is scored.								
	information, co		k, ESG controversies, issuer		NEGL	Low	Medium	High	Severe			
ESG Book	The ESG sc positioned to the principle helps explain over-weighti	ore identifies s o outperform of of financial man n future risk-ac ng features wit	sustainable companies th ver the long term. The m ateriality including inform djusted performance. Ma th higher materiality and	nethodology considers nation that significantly ateriality is applied by	0-1010-2020-3030-4040+The total ESG score is calculated as a weighted sum of the features scores using materiality-based weights. The score is scaled between 0 and 100 with higher scores indicating better performance.							
<u>MSCI</u>	weights on a rolling quarterly basis. MSCI ESG ratings aim to measure a company's management of financially relevant ESG risks and opportunities. It uses a rules-based methodology to identify industry leaders and laggards according to their exposure to ESG risks and how well they manage those risks relative to peers.											
	AAA AA	8.571-10.000	Leader:	leading its industry in m	anaging the most s	ignificant ESG ris	sks and opportunitie	s				
	A     5.714-7.142       BBB     4.286-5.713     Average:     a mixed or unexceptional track record of managing the most significant ESG risindustry peers       BB     2.857-4.285								nities relative to			
	B CCC	1.429-2.856 0.000-1.428	Laggard:	lagging its industry base	ed on its high expo	sure and failure to	o manage significan	t ESG risks				
Moody's ESG solutions	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. (Score ratings are 0 to 25 = poor; >25 to 50 = satisfactory; >50 to 75 = good; and >75 to 100 = excellent.)											
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.											

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