

Bangkok Airways Pcl (BA TB) - BUY, Price Bt11.90, TP Bt13.50**Results Comment**

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Slightly higher-than-expected 3Q loss

- BA reported a normalized loss of Bt1.3bn in 3Q21 versus a normalized loss of Bt1.3bn in 3Q20 and a normalized loss of Bt779m in 2Q21. The loss was slightly higher than what we had expected. Including Bt5.4bn net loss on lease agreement termination of Samui Airport Property Fund, BA reported its net loss of Bt5.4bn in 3Q21.
- We maintain a BUY rating on BA as 1) we expect BA's earnings to gradually recover in 4Q21F onward given the easing of the lockdown measures, 2) we like BA's strong financial status, allowing it to survive the COVID-19 crisis, and 3) we like its plan to diversify into the airport and airport-related businesses which are more stable and less competitive than the airline business.
- BA's revenue decreased by 42% y-y in 3Q21 due to the lockdown measures, causing it to suspend the operation during mid-July to August 2021. Its passengers fell by 86% y-y. However, this was partly offset by higher passenger yield by 3% y-y and higher revenue from the airport-related operations businesses by 16% y-y.
- Even though its cost cutting plans caused a drop in the operating costs by 20% y-y in 3Q21, it was not enough to offset a sharp fall in revenue, making it to make a gross loss of Bt1bn.

Income Statement						Income Statement					
(consolidated)						9M as					
Yr-end Dec (Bt m)	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	(Bt m)	q-q%	y-y%	% 2021F	2021F	2022F
Revenue	697	1,056	671	573	401	Revenue	(30)	(42)	78	2,112	5,919
Gross profit	(1,047)	(865)	(847)	(891)	(999)	Gross profit	na	na	na	(3,400)	(2,189)
SG&A	381	400	348	374	423	SG&A	13	11	77	1,478	1,776
Operating profit	(1,428)	(1,265)	(1,195)	(1,264)	(1,422)	Operating profit	na	na	na	(4,879)	(3,965)
EBITDA	(705)	(609)	(582)	(673)	(855)	EBITDA	na	na	na	(2,288)	(1,272)
Other income	206	769	439	684	272	Other income	(60)	32	76	1,830	1,887
Other expense	27	(28)	0	4	0	Other expense	(98)	(100)	na	0	0
Interest expense	207	255	335	365	298	Interest expense	(18)	44	89	1,127	1,241
Profit before tax	(1,456)	(723)	(1,091)	(949)	(1,449)	Profit before tax	na	na	na	(4,176)	(3,320)
Income tax	(30)	71	(102)	(5)	(78)	Income tax	na	na	na	0	0
Equity & invest. income	105	145	152	153	108	Equity & invest. income	(30)	2	79	522	391
Minority interests	16	9	11	12	10	Minority interests	(13)	(35)	270	12	34
Extraordinary items	(265)	240	80	93	(5,724)	Extraordinary items	na	na	na	0	0
Net profit	(1,569)	(401)	(746)	(686)	(6,977)	Net profit	na	na	na	(3,641)	(2,894)
Normalized profit	(1,304)	(640)	(826)	(779)	(1,253)	Normalized profit	na	na	na	(3,641)	(2,894)
EPS (Bt)	(0.75)	(0.19)	(0.36)	(0.33)	(3.32)	EPS (Bt)	na	na	na	(1.73)	(1.38)
Normalized EPS (Bt)	(0.62)	(0.30)	(0.39)	(0.37)	(0.60)	Normalized EPS (Bt)	na	na	na	(1.73)	(1.38)

Balance Sheet						Financial Ratios					
(consolidated)						3Q20 4Q20 1Q21 2Q21 3Q21					
Yr-end Dec (Bt m)	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	(%)	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21
Cash & ST investment	3,071	2,181	1,521	1,253	1,105	Sales growth	(88.0)	(81.3)	(88.1)	99.6	(42.4)
A/C receivable	377	401	296	253	240	Operating profit growth	na	na	na	na	na
Inventory	479	477	455	450	439	EBITDA growth	na	na	na	na	na
Other current assets	340	198	163	220	356	Norm profit growth	na	na	na	na	na
Investment	4,916	28,305	29,389	30,951	28,005	Norm EPS growth	na	na	na	na	na
Fixed assets	10,078	9,777	9,573	9,376	9,203	Gross margin	(150.3)	(82.0)	(126.3)	(155.5)	(249.2)
Other assets	32,768	9,263	8,856	8,484	8,333	Operating margin	(205.0)	(119.8)	(178.1)	(220.8)	(354.8)
Total assets	52,030	50,602	50,253	50,988	47,681	EBITDA margin	(101.2)	(57.6)	(86.8)	(117.5)	(213.4)
S-T debt	2,393	2,593	3,334	3,351	14,405	Norm net margin	(187.3)	(60.6)	(123.1)	(136.0)	(312.5)
A/C payable	996	1,119	827	888	863	D/E (x)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.5
Other current liabilities	4,865	6,965	4,492	4,058	4,853	Net D/E (x)	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.4
L-T debt	2,510	3,046	2,607	2,804	4,932	Interest coverage (x)	(3.4)	(2.4)	(1.7)	(1.8)	(2.9)
Other liabilities	22,433	17,272	19,284	19,606	9,572	Interest rate	17.7	19.3	23.2	24.1	9.3
Minority interest	22	14	4	(8)	(19)	Effective tax rate	2.1	(9.8)	9.4	0.5	5.4
Shareholders' equity	18,811	19,591	19,705	20,290	13,074	ROA	(9.6)	(5.0)	(6.6)	(6.2)	(10.2)
Working capital	(139)	(242)	(76)	(184)	(184)	ROE	(25.0)	(13.3)	(16.8)	(15.6)	(30.0)
Total debt	4,903	5,640	5,941	6,155	19,337						
Net debt	1,833	3,459	4,421	4,902	18,232						

Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

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