

Siam Makro Pcl (MAKRO TB) - U.R., Price Bt37.00, TP Bt46.00**Results Comment**

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Weak 1Q22, 22% below consensus

- MAKRO reported 1Q22 net profit of Bt2,050m, missed Bt2,618m earnings consensus by 22%.
- Despite consolidating 100% stake of Lotus Thailand and Malaysia since Oct 25th last year, its 1Q22 profit grew by only 18% y-y while EPS fell by 46% y-y on a 120% capital increase as part of Lotus shareholding restructuring within CP Group.
- Disappointing results were due to 1) its low SSSG recovery for both wholesale business (+1.0% SSSG for Makro cash&carry) and retail business (+0.4% for Lotus Thailand, -7.9% for Lotus Malaysia), 2) pressure from rising SG&A for wholesale (from new B2B Marketplace Maknet project, increased property tax, higher delivery cost, rising staff expenses) and retail (IT, rebranding).
- Wholesale business:** 1Q22 net profit was Bt1,741m, almost flat y-y (+0.4%) and down 20% q-q. Merchandise sales grew by 3% y-y to Bt56.6bn on a 1% SSSG. Gross margin on sales improved by 27bp y-y to 10.35% on higher fresh food sales mix. However, SG&A/sales rose to 8.3% vs 7.9% in 1Q21 for the reasons mentioned earlier.
- Retail business:** Lotus generated Bt309m profit, down from Bt397m profit contribution of 68 days in 4Q21. Falling profit q-q was due to seasonality impact and high SG&A expense. Total revenues grew by 6% y-y. Gross margin on sales improved by 10bp y-y but fell 130bp q-q to 18.8%.
- 1Q22 profit made up 14% of our full-year forecast. We see significant earnings downside and put our recommendation (current is a SELL) and TP under review.

Income Statement						Income Statement					
(consolidated)						3M as					
Yr-end Dec (Bt m)	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	(Bt m)	q-q%	y-y%	% 2022F	2022F	2023F
Revenue	55,878	54,723	54,739	100,205	110,777	Revenue	11	98	46	238,422	257,886
Gross profit	6,545	6,078	6,557	16,914	18,263	Gross profit	8	179	64	28,466	31,081
SG&A	4,442	4,560	4,616	12,674	14,616	SG&A	15	229	76	19,296	20,705
Operating profit	2,102	1,518	1,941	4,240	3,648	Operating profit	(14)	74	40	9,170	10,376
EBITDA	2,882	2,312	2,739	6,710	7,265	EBITDA	8	152	58	12,558	13,890
Other income	219	233	232	206	439	Other income	113	100	44	997	1,067
Other expense	0	0	0	0	0	Other expense			na	0	0
Interest expense	129	142	137	1,148	1,494	Interest expense	30	1,056	270	554	708
Profit before tax	2,192	1,608	2,036	3,299	2,593	Profit before tax	(21)	18	27	9,613	10,735
Income tax	461	331	473	862	767	Income tax	(11)	66	38	2,019	2,254
Equity & invest. income	0	0	0	149	224	Equity & invest. income	51		3	6,692	11,312
Minority interests	3	10	10	(9)	0	Minority interests	na	(86)	0	153	220
Extraordinary items	0	0	0	6,517	0	Extraordinary items			na	0	0
Net profit	1,734	1,287	1,572	9,094	2,050	Net profit	(77)	18	14	14,439	20,012
Normalized profit	1,734	1,287	1,572	2,577	2,050	Normalized profit	(20)	18	14	14,439	20,012
EPS (Bt)	0.36	0.27	0.33	0.86	0.19	EPS (Bt)	(77)	(46)	15	1.29	1.79
Normalized EPS (Bt)	0.36	0.27	0.33	0.24	0.19	Normalized EPS (Bt)	(20)	(46)	15	1.29	1.79

Balance Sheet						Financial Ratios					
(consolidated)						1Q21 2Q21 3Q21 4Q21 1Q22					
Yr-end Dec (Bt m)	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	(%)	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22
Cash & ST investment	12,245	7,442	5,260	68,530	64,007	Sales growth	(0.5)	7.1	1.6	75.3	98.2
A/C receivable	849	822	957	2,301	1,955	Operating profit growth	(1.0)	2.8	(1.6)	47.1	73.5
Inventory	14,054	13,884	14,030	31,967	32,925	EBITDA growth	(1.2)	11.2	(7.9)	52.6	152.1
Other current assets	2,093	2,053	2,136	7,203	6,823	Norm profit growth	3.1	9.1	(0.0)	21.0	18.3
Investment	0	0	0	0	0	Norm EPS growth	3.1	9.1	(0.0)	(45.1)	(46.3)
Fixed assets	30,400	30,205	30,161	118,444	117,392	Gross margin	11.7	11.1	12.0	16.9	16.5
Other assets	15,501	15,726	16,125	341,046	341,384	Operating margin	3.8	2.8	3.5	4.2	3.3
Total assets	75,141	70,131	68,669	569,490	564,486	EBITDA margin	5.2	4.2	5.0	6.7	6.6
S-T debt	2,690	2,634	983	31,199	31,436	Norm net margin	3.1	2.4	2.9	2.6	1.9
A/C payable	24,807	22,550	22,677	54,845	52,253	D/E (x)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5
Other current liabilities	8,988	7,755	7,844	32,167	27,865	Net D/E (x)	(0.2)	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2
L-T debt	5,002	5,002	5,001	105,120	104,521	Interest coverage (x)	22.3	16.2	20.0	5.8	4.9
Other liabilities	9,140	9,333	9,585	57,661	58,193	Interest rate	6.6	7.4	8.1	6.5	4.4
Minority interest	484	483	497	501	499	Effective tax rate	21.0	20.6	23.3	26.1	29.6
Shareholders' equity	24,031	22,374	22,081	287,997	289,719	ROA	6.3	7.8	9.8	4.7	2.5
Working capital	(9,904)	(7,845)	(7,690)	(20,577)	(17,373)	ROE	30.0	22.2	28.3	6.6	2.8
Total debt	7,692	7,636	5,984	136,319	135,957						
Net debt	(4,553)	194	724	67,790	71,951						

Sources: Company data, Thanachart estimates

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