

Banpu Pcl (BANPU TB) - HOLD, Price Bt4.90, TP Bt4.00**Results Comment**

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1Q25 - Miss

- BANPU** reported a 1Q25 net loss of Bt483m, an improvement from a loss of Bt2.3bn in 4Q24, but down from a net profit of Bt1.55bn in 1Q24. The results came in below our 2025F forecast, primarily due to weak coal profit.
- The q-q improvement in reported profit was due to the absence of impairment. However, core loss widened slightly to Bt725m in 1Q25 (vs Bt643m in 4Q24), as lower coal prices and volume offset stronger gas profit.
- Coal business:** Coal gross profit declined to US\$184m in 1Q25, -37% q-q but up 2% y-y. The drop was driven by lower sales volume and selling prices from both the Australian and Indonesian coal operations. Overall coal gross margin contracted to 29% in 1Q25, compared to 33% in 4Q24 but still above 27% in 1Q24. Notably, this quarter marked the initial contribution from the Mongolia coal operation.
- Gas business:** Gross profit from the gas business surged to US\$72m in 2Q24, a sharp 174% increase q- q, recovering from a loss of US\$9m in 1Q24. The improvement was driven by a 40% q- q rise in Banpu's average gas price to US\$3.4/mmbtu, partially offset by a 4% decline in sales volume to 68.5 bcf. Meanwhile, gross profit from the CCUS segment edged down slightly to US\$2m in 1Q25 vs US\$3m in 4Q24.
- Power business:** Gross profit rose significantly to US\$11m in 1Q25, up from US\$1m in 4Q24, driven by improved contributions from the U.S. power plant.
- Outlook.** We expect 2Q25F profit to trend weaker due to lower coal and gas price. Maintain HOLD.

Income Statement (consolidated)						Income Statement 3M as					
Yr-end Dec (Bt m)	1Q24	2Q24	3Q24	4Q24	1Q25	(Bt m)	q-q%	y-y%	% 2025F	2025F	2026F
Revenue	38,810	49,615	46,597	46,527	43,584	Revenue	(6)	12	23	185,691	194,439
Gross profit	7,063	13,321	11,777	11,831	9,640	Gross profit	(19)	36	26	36,797	45,650
SG&A	6,880	8,138	8,664	9,548	7,295	SG&A	(24)	6	25	29,219	33,583
Operating profit	183	5,182	3,112	2,282	2,345	Operating profit	3	1,184	31	7,578	12,067
EBITDA	4,856	11,205	9,135	8,305	8,368	EBITDA	1	72	25	33,916	42,149
Other income	1,132	1,117	1,223	1,046	892	Other income	(15)	(21)	42	2,100	2,100
Other expense	0	0	0	0	0	Other expense			na		
Interest expense	3,689	4,101	3,220	3,156	2,851	Interest expense	(10)	(23)	22	13,011	13,319
Profit before tax	(2,374)	2,198	1,115	172	386	Profit before tax	124	na	na	(3,333)	848
Income tax	679	827	1,645	1,042	1,132	Income tax	9	67	109	1,042	1,811
Equity & invest. income	1,090	2,140	2,413	1,287	902	Equity & invest. income	(30)	(17)	11	8,544	8,207
Minority interests	(810)	(970)	(1,903)	(1,060)	(882)	Minority interests	na	na	na	(3,607)	(4,428)
Extraordinary items	4,325	(1,604)	(809)	(1,698)	243	Extraordinary items	na	(94)	na	0	0
Net profit	1,552	937	(830)	(2,341)	(483)	Net profit	na	na	na	563	2,816
Normalized profit	(2,773)	2,541	(20)	(643)	(725)	Normalized profit	na	na	na	563	2,816
EPS (Bt)	0.15	0.09	(0.08)	(0.23)	(0.05)	EPS (Bt)	na	na	na	0.06	0.28
Normalized EPS (Bt)	(0.28)	0.25	(0.00)	(0.06)	(0.07)	Normalized EPS (Bt)	na	na	na	0.06	0.28

Balance Sheet (consolidated)						Financial Ratios					
Yr-end Dec (Bt m)	1Q24	2Q24	3Q24	4Q24	1Q25	(%)	1Q24	2Q24	3Q24	4Q24	1Q25
Cash & ST investment	54,452	54,120	49,110	54,232	51,287	Sales growth	(12.8)	29.4	(11.5)	3.0	12.3
A/C receivable	17,472	19,467	16,147	16,737	16,381	Operating profit growth	(97.1)	518.4	(68.4)	(38.0)	1,184.3
Inventory	6,913	5,424	6,297	4,973	5,573	EBITDA growth	(58.8)	90.8	(36.2)	(2.0)	72.3
Other current assets	25,972	23,382	19,026	17,542	16,554	Norm profit growth	na	na	na	na	na
Investment	86,595	86,844	85,358	85,733	81,620	Norm EPS growth	na	na	na	na	na
Fixed assets	163,484	160,022	141,586	145,492	145,459	Gross margin	18.2	26.8	25.3	25.4	22.1
Other assets	104,579	105,622	98,028	96,718	105,759	Operating margin	0.5	10.4	6.7	4.9	5.4
Total assets	459,467	454,882	415,552	421,427	422,633	EBITDA margin	12.5	22.6	19.6	17.8	19.2
S-T debt	63,708	40,867	54,307	61,181	37,634	Norm net margin	(7.1)	5.1	(0.0)	(1.4)	(1.7)
A/C payable	4,126	4,579	5,218	4,774	5,686	D/E (x)	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2
Other current liabilities	29,097	36,237	23,673	25,682	49,554	Net D/E (x)	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9
L-T debt	163,841	172,747	148,376	148,618	151,145	Interest coverage (x)	1.3	2.7	2.8	2.6	2.9
Other liabilities	27,636	29,717	20,358	21,385	21,125	Interest rate	6.6	7.4	6.2	6.1	5.7
Minority interest	34,882	35,866	44,426	46,884	46,892	Effective tax rate	(28.6)	37.6	147.6	605.0	292.9
Shareholders' equity	136,177	134,869	119,195	112,903	110,597	ROA	(2.5)	2.2	(0.0)	(0.6)	(0.7)
Working capital	20,259	20,313	17,225	16,936	16,268	ROE	(8.3)	7.5	(0.1)	(2.2)	(2.6)
Total debt	227,549	213,613	202,683	209,800	188,779						
Net debt	173,098	159,493	153,573	155,568	137,492						

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