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### THB400bn Stimulus Package To Cushion COVID-19 Impact

- Measures approved by the Government on Tuesday to counter the economic blow from COVID-19 is expected to inject THB400bn (2.4% of GDP) into the economy. This was higher than what was suggested last week and the highest among the ASEAN-5 and Vietnam.
- The stimulus package focus on supporting small & medium enterprise cash flows and preserving jobs that are positive for a 2H20 recovery, but measures targeting households and private consumption appear fairly small. Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-Ocha said more initiatives could be implemented if COVID-19's impact persists.
- We think this points towards a more coordinated fiscal and monetary policy measures to cushion the impact from the pandemic, lifting some of the pressures from the central bank. We maintain our view that GDP growth will slow to 2.2% this year, with a recovery expected once COVID-19 is contained.

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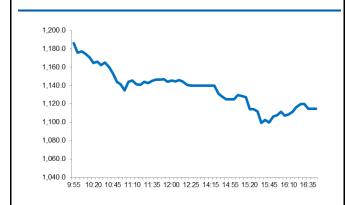
Today's Report: <u>THB400bn Stimulus Package To Cushion COVID-19 Impact</u> (12 Mar 2020) Previous Report: <u>Inflation Slowed To 0.7% In Feb, Below BoT's Target Range</u> (5 Mar 2019)

3,040.38 -13,221.71

-7,782.53

-7,000.20





SET	2017	2018	2019	2020F
PE(x)	17.60	16.25	12.79	10.94
P/BV (x)	2.03	1.74	1.18	1.13
Yield (%)	2.80	3.35	4.24	4.51
SET Value by investor Type: Daily	,			

	Buy	Sell	Net
	(THBm)	(THBm)	(THBm)
Institution	8,463.05	13,100.00	-4,636.95
Proprietary	6,771.43	10,849.37	-4,077.94
Foreign	36,320.95	38,249.82	-1,928.87
Retail	50,096.61	39,452.85	10,643.76
SET Value by investor Type			
		MTD	YTD
		(THRm)	/THRm\

Foreign				-33,231.02	-70,182.29
Retail				37,190.83	91,186.53
SET50 Index Futi	ure				
	Long	Short	Net	MTD	YTD
Institution	89,162	114,951	-25,789	-75,157	-90,779
Foreign	216,554	188,311	28,243	104,966	136,909
Local	247,969	250,423	-2,454	-29,809	-46,130
Foreign Fund Flows (USDm)					
	Daily	WTD	MTD	YTD	YoY
Thailand	-61.3	-543 5	-1056 4	-2245.2	4153.2

Note: \*As at 12 Mar 2020 closing

Institution

Proprietary

Table 1: Key market indices (13 Mar 2020)

	Index	Chg	% Chg	% YTD
SET	1114.91	-134.98	-10.80%	-29.4%
SET50	726.73	-96.26	-11.70%	-32.0%
SET100	1599.98	-213.27	-11.76%	-31.7%
Dow Jones	21200.62	-2352.60	-9.99%	-25.7%
S&P500	2480.64	-260.74	-9.51%	-23.2%
Nasdaq	7201.80	-750.25	-9.43%	-19.7%
FTSE	5237.48	-639.04	-10.87%	-30.6%
FSSTI	2678.64	-105.08	-3.77%	-16.9%
Hang Seng	24309.07	-922.54	-3.66%	-13.8%
Nikkei	18559.63	-856.43	-4.41%	-21.5%
KLCI	1419.43	-24.40	-1.69%	-10.7%
SHANGHAI SE	2923.49	-45.03	-1.52%	-4.2%
JCI	4895.75	-258.36	-5.01%	-22.3%
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**Key Statistics** 

Foreign Exchange Rates / Oil Market			
USD	Closed	Chg.	%Chg.
Baht (Onshore)	31.47	0.02	-0.08
Yen	112.00	-0.10	0.09
Euro	1.08	0.00	0.03
Oil Price (USD/barrel)			
Brent	58.50	-0.57	-0.96
Nymex-Crude Light	53.68	-0.20	-0.37

Note: \*As at 12 Mar 2020 closing







Top BUYs					
	TP (THB)	Upside (%)	Catalysts		
Advance Info Service (ADVANC TB)	250.00	44.09	<ul> <li>Better profitability due to the TOT litigation settlement (for towers and 2G equipment) that could decrease its network opex by THB3.2bn pa</li> <li>Strong convergence services portfolio, with a low base of fixed broadband customers who should benefit from the shift in the industry's acquisition trends</li> <li>The scaling up of FBB units that expect to turn profit on EBITDA level this year</li> </ul>		
Charoen Pokphand Foods (CPF TB)	35.00	60.55	<ul> <li>The uptrend of its core business should be prolonged, given the tighter supply conditions due to the African Swine Fever outbreak in Asia, with relatively low feed costs that remain in place. Although Charoen Pokphand Foods should benefit from lower policy rates and a weakening THB</li> <li>Upside from the acquisition of Tesco Thailand and Tesco Malaysia. While we expect company to enhance its fresh products distribution channel by tapping into the hypermarket network, we think CPF could also ramp up its food services in Tesco's retail space in future.</li> <li>Other positive synergies include cost savings on logistics network sharing, inventory turnover, and cross selling between retail trading formats</li> </ul>		
CP ALL (CPALL TB)	84.00	36.03	<ul> <li>Weak consumption should affect staple retailers less than discretionary ones, and CP ALL is the best-in-class among the former. We expect a moderate 6% earnings growth this year</li> <li>1Q20F-2Q20F outlook may be challenging on uncertain factors, but we still like its aggressive store network expansion, and outstanding product strategies which engender a resilient longer-term outlook</li> <li>CP ALL is acquiring 40% shares in the biggest hypermarket chain: Tesco Thailand and Tesco Malaysia in 2H20F, and be able to offer a complete range of grocery retailing formats. It has lower valuations vs past deals. We expect that it may deliver limited downside to earnings, but could strengthen its business model in the long run</li> </ul>		
Global Power Synergy (GPSC TB)	80.00	59.20	<ul> <li>We expect 2 deals to be announced this year in 2H20. One is a 40MW portfolio worth THB3bn. The other is the gas-to-power project. Phase 1 of the project is expected to be c.60-1,200MW, investment range is c.USD360-960m, depending on size and costs</li> <li>We also like GPSCs shift towards being greener. It will also start to produce semi-solid state batteries by Nov/Dec, and we believe there is strong growth potential in this business segment</li> </ul>		
Osotspa (OSP TB)	49.00	44.12	<ul> <li>Optimistic 2020F outlook with expected resilient 15% core profit growth and ROE hike by 2% may be driven by strong functional drinks sales, launching of more personal care products, new facility in Myanmar, and efficient cost management to keep GPM rising</li> <li>Successful reformulation of energy drinks has lowered its sugar content excise tax rate materially, playing a vital role in boosting profit margins</li> <li>The inauguration of its new beverage filling facility in Myanmar by end-1Q20F may also provide upside to the topline, and we expect the plant's performance contribution to be more visible from 3Q20F onwards</li> <li>Its market leadership for energy drinks, which is likely to be maintained, deserves premium valuation. This is along with attractive overseas growth story, while its business expansion may also solidify local operations</li> </ul>		
Supalai (SPALI TB)	20.00	33.33	<ul> <li>Six of nine condominiums scheduled to be transferred within FY21F-22F have good presales record over 70% of the respective project value. This ensures its earnings visibility longer than other large developers</li> <li>The company is still aggressively acquiring landbank with this year's budget of THB8bn – a high level in the past 10 years. This implies that it is well prepared for launching new projects as soon as the industry recovers</li> <li>Based on the solid orderbook on hand, we expect net profit growth of 3-5%YoY for FY20F-22F. Supalai is one of few developers with the ability to generate growth in the near term</li> </ul>		







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