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Bulletin								
STOCK/SECTOR	NEWS	COMMENT	RATING					
CH Karnchang (CK TB)	Test runs for the new Red Line electric railway from Bang Sue to Rangsit will start in October on schedule as construction of the line and Bang Sue Central Station are almost complete.	We view as good news that the Red-Line MRT extension that has been delayed so far will be launched for bidding, as the second-phase Red Line MRT is almost complete in terms of construction progress.	BUY, TP: THB26.00					
	The COVID-19 pandemic will not affect the delivery of Japanese-made trains for the three-month trial before the 26-kilometre route is opened to the public by January next year, acting State Railway of Thailand (SRT) Governor Worawut Mala said on Wednesday.	Although the construction value of these new three sections is worth only THB20bn, we expect that most construction companies should concentrate on this project as MRT projects have been absent from bidding for at least two years.						
	The Bang Sue Central Station will be Bangkok's new transport hub, combining suburban and long-distance trains as well as the Airport Rail Link and high-speed trains.	Only large construction companies have ever been involved in SRT's projects. At this point, the most competitive construction player should be CH Karnchang as its current orderbook is at the low-ebb level.						
	Mr Worawut said he plans to seek THB3bn from the Government to establish a new subsidiary to run the Red Line.							
	The SRT is also pushing ahead with the Red Line extension project by getting ready to call for bids in June. The THB20bn project includes three sections – Rangsit-Thammasat University, Taling Chan-Siriraj Hospital and Taling Chan-Salaya. (Bangkok							

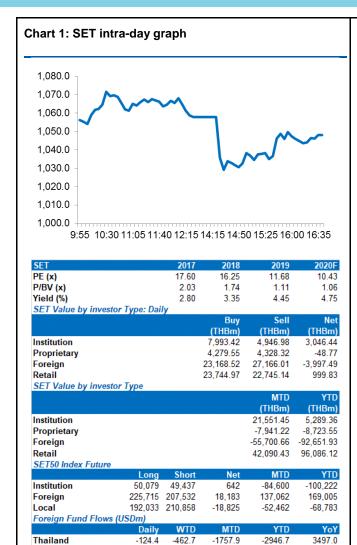


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Note: \*As at 18 Mar 2020 closing



	Index	Chg	% Chg	% YTE
SET	1048.15	12.98	1.25%	-33.7%
SET50	693.14	9.98	1.46%	-35.1%
SET100	1515.84	21.47	1.44%	-35.3%
Dow Jones	19898.92	-1338.46	-6.30%	-30.3%
S&P500	2398.10	-131.09	-5.18%	-25.8%
Nasdaq	6989.84	-344.94	-4.70%	-22.1%
FTSE	5080.58	-214.32	-4.05%	-32.6%
FSSTI	2425.62	-28.91	-1.18%	-24.79
Hang Seng	22291.82	-971.91	-4.18%	-20.9%
Nikkei	16726.55	-284.98	-1.68%	-29.39
<b>K</b> LCI	1239.01	-17.57	-1.40%	-22.09
SHANGHAI SE	2728.76	-50.89	-1.83%	-10.59
JCI	4330.67	-126.08	-2.83%	-31.39
Key Statistics				
Foreign Exchange F	Rates / Oil M			
JSD		Closed	Chg.	%Chg
Baht (Onshore)		31.47	0.02	-0.0
Yen -		112.00	-0.10	0.0
Euro		1.08	0.00	0.0
Oil Price (USD/barre	el)	50.50	0.57	
Brent Nymex-Crude Light		58.50	-0.57	-0.9
		53.68	-0.20	-0.3

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Top BUYs						
-	TP (THB)	Upside (%)	Catalysts			
Advance Info Service (ADVANC TB)	250.00	38.89	<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	65.09	<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	40.00	<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	63.27	<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	48.48	<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	45.99	<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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