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Top Story

Central Pattana (CPN TB, BUY, TP: THB54.00)

Shopping Lockdown But Stock Remains a BUY
Company Update

BUY, new FY20F TP of THB54.00 from THB79.00, 33% upside with 1.5% yield. The COVID-19 pandemic has adversely impacted Central Pattana's retail malls and may pull FY20F earnings down by 41% YoY. Its undemanding valuation and possible recovery (from end-3Q20F onwards) may trigger investors to take long positions on this counter.

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Economic Research

Thailand Looking At Worst Recession Since 1998

- Thailand is looking at its worst recession since 1998 as the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown measures globally will put a "sudden stop" to the country's economic activities, hurting the tourism, manufacturing and export industries.
- The simultaneous shocks to external and domestic demand will affect net exports, private consumption and private investment. Therefore, more coordinated fiscal and monetary measures will be critical to cushion the economic impact of the pandemic.
- We cut our GDP forecast to shrink 4.0% in 2020 as we face an unfamiliar foe in COVID-19 as well as the economic shutdown triggered by measures to contain the virus. Recovery is likely to be gradual in 2H20 before pent-up demand is seen in 2021, which could push up GDP growth to 4.0%.

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Chart 1: SET intra-day graph


SET	2017	2018	2019	2020F
PE (x)	17.60	16.25	11.82	12.81
P/BV (x)	2.03	1.74	1.79	1.21
Yield (%)	2.80	3.35	4.46	4.50

SET Value by investor Type: Daily

	Buy (THBm)	Sell (THBm)	Net (THBm)
Institution	6,417.65	6,379.67	37.99
Proprietary	3,937.48	5,026.69	-1,089.22
Foreign	18,383.30	21,381.65	-2,998.35
Retail	38,430.60	34,381.03	4,049.57

SET Value by investor Type

	MTD (THBm)	YTD (THBm)
Institution	37.99	26,111.39
Proprietary	-1,089.22	-8,439.23
Foreign	-2,998.35	-118,353.26
Retail	4,049.57	100,681.10

SET50 Index Future

	Long	Short	Net	MTD	YTD
Institution	36,651	36,526	125	125	-72,537
Foreign	78,077	64,128	13,949	13,949	153,535
Local	122,646	136,720	-14,074	-14,074	-80,998

Note: *As at 1 Apr 2020 closing

Table 1: Key market indices (2 Apr 2020)

	Index	Chg	% Chg
SET	1105.51	-20.35	-1.81
SET50	740.40	-16.45	-2.17
SET100	1614.84	-33.87	-2.05
Dow Jones	20943.51	-973.65	-4.44
Nasdaq	7360.58	-339.52	-4.41
S&P500	2470.50	-114.09	-4.41
FTSE	5454.57	-217.39	-3.83
FSSTI	2440.27	-40.96	-1.65
Hang Seng	23085.79	-517.69	-2.19
Nikkei	18065.41	-851.60	-4.50
KLCI	1322.66	-28.23	-2.09
SHANGHAI SE	2734.52	-15.78	-0.57
JCI	4466.04	-72.89	-1.61

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Top BUYs

	TP (THB)	Upside (%)	Catalysts
Advance Info Service (ADVANC TB)	250.00	27.88	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better profitability due to the TOT litigation settlement (for towers and 2G equipment) that could decrease its network opex by THB3.2bn pa Strong convergence services portfolio, with a low base of fixed broadband customers who should benefit from the shift in the industry's acquisition trends The scaling up of FBB units that expect to turn profit on EBITDA level this year
Charoen Pokphand Foods (CPF TB)	35.00	44.03	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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. Other positive synergies include cost savings on logistics network sharing, inventory turnover, and cross selling between retail trading formats
CP ALL (CPALL TB)	84.00	39.42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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 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
Global Power Synergy (GPSC TB)	80.00	42.86	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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
Osotspa (OSP TB)	49.00	41.01	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 Successful reformulation of energy drinks has lowered its sugar content excise tax rate materially, playing a vital role in boosting profit margins 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 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
Supalai (SPALI TB)	20.00	32.45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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 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

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