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Thailand Company Update

Basic Materials | Building Materials

Neutral (Maintained)

Target Price (Return): THB2.80 (-1.4%)
Price (Market Cap): THB2.84 (USD781m)
ESG score: 2.90 (out of 4)
Avg Daily Turnover (THB/USD) 30.0m/0.90m

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NEUTRAL and DCF-based THB2.80 TP, 1% downside and >6% yield. Similar to other construction materials players, especially here, Dynasty Ceramic has faced major obstacles in generating earnings performance growth – pressured by the pandemic, energy cost surges, and tightening competition from local peers. However, it has focused intensively on data analysis and management, high value-add product launches, and more stringent business operation controls to face these negatives and enhance

GPMs. While P/E is demanding, the yield at >6% pa seems attractive.

Dynasty Ceramic (DCC TB)

Better Prospects In FY22

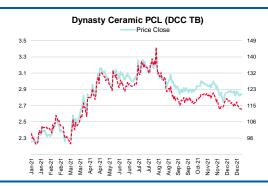
- Keeping sales revenue level in an unfriendly industry. DCC's best attempt for its FY21 operations is to keep sales revenues on par with FY20's numbers. We expect a 2% YoY sales revenue growth, which should not be seen as a significant disappointment even if the actual FY21 results see a slight decline given the current harsh environment. Within FY21, the domestic ceramic tiles market was mainly pressured by COVID-19, which resulted in: i) Slower purchasing power among DCC's major demand hubs within provincial areas (due to lower prices for some major crops) and ii) a halt in construction activities in Jun-Jul 2021 to contain the pandemic's impact at construction sites, especially in Bangkok and its vicinities.
- Room for improvement. Despite DCC's retail market having been hit hard, its policy to focus on data analysis related to working capital management, inventory management, product price revisions, sector demand, logistics traffic, etc, has already been intensively adopted in FY21. This has resulted in higher sales revenue growth of >15% YoY from real estate project construction (the minority within its overall sales revenue) and solid operating cash flow streams (>THB1.6bn) in 9M21.
- FY21 to record a new earnings high. Under the slow demand trend in FY21, we expect DCC to record another high level of net profit with a consistent growth of 3% YoY. This is supported by its critical focus on enhancing profit margins.
- Better prospects in FY22. Based on its ongoing policies to strengthen operations, we believe the company will benefit in terms of: i) Higher sales revenue growth of c.+5% YoY while ii) maintaining an impressive GPM >42%. This is because the industry's prospects may be less interrupted by the pandemic and DCC will pay the attention towards mitigating impacts from energy costs.
- Maintain TP. Based on our in-house proprietary methodology, we assign an ESG score of 2.9 for DCC. From this, we derive an initial DCF-based value of THB2.98 and then applied a 6% ESG discount to arrive at our TP of THB2.80. We maintain our NEUTRAL call on this counter.

| Forecasts and Valuation | Dec-19 | Dec-20 | Dec-21F | Dec-22F | Dec-23F |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Total turnover (THBm) | 8,118 | 8,501 | 8,664 | 9,085 | 9,355 |
| Recurring net profit (THBm) | 973 | 1,585 | 1,630 | 1,656 | 1,685 |
| Recurring net profit growth (%) | (0.6) | 63.0 | 2.8 | 1.6 | 1.8 |
| Recurring P/E (x) | 20.08 | 13.82 | 15.10 | 15.65 | 15.38 |
| P/B (x) | 4.3 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 |
| P/CF (x) | 13.31 | 9.40 | 11.17 | 11.11 | 10.34 |
| Dividend Yield (%) | 3.7 | 5.8 | 6.2 | 6.4 | 6.5 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 12.35 | 9.12 | 9.62 | 9.92 | 9.61 |
| Return on average equity (%) | 22.6 | 28.4 | 23.7 | 22.3 | 22.6 |
| Net debt to equity (%) | 109.4 | 43.1 | 16.5 | 15.1 | 8.7 |

Source: Company data, RHB

Share Performance (%)

| | YTD | 1m | 3m | 6m | 12m |
|------------------|------|-------|-------|--------|------|
| Absolute | 27.9 | 3.6 | (0.7) | (6.6) | 27.9 |
| Relative | 13.5 | (2.1) | (3.9) | (11.0) | 13.5 |
| 52-wk Price low/ | | 2.24 | -3.38 | | |



Source: Bloomberg

Overall ESG Score: 2.90 (out of 4)

E: MODERATE

DCC operates continuously for the transfer of residual heat from its production process in order to recycle as well as reduce energy consumption and waste. Water management is done in a closed system, whereby water from the production process is treated and reused so as not to affect the communities surrounding its factories while reducing water usage as well.

S: GOOD

DCC provides all employees with good and safe working conditions at its factories, branches, and head office. Employees also have access to knowledge development programmes, thereby allowing them the opportunity to advance their careers and improve their quality of life. The company has since extended these programmes to its business partners and all stakeholders for social sustainability.

G: EXCELLENT

DCC has established guidelines for corporate governance, which are: i) Rights of shareholders, ii) equitable treatment of shareholders, iii) role of stakeholders, iv) disclosure and transparency, as well as v) responsibilities of the Board of Directors and committees.



Financial Exhibits

Asia Thailand Basic Materials **Dynasty Ceramic** DCC TB

Neutral

Valuation basis

Key drivers

- i. Expansion of sales volumes in neighbouring countries;
 ii. Success in increasing high value-add products.

Key risks

- i. Poor purchasing power in rural areas;ii. High household debt levels;
- iii. Increase in energy costs.

Company Profile

DCC is a manufacturer and distributor of ceramic floor and wall tiles under the Dynasty, Tomahawk, Jaguar, and Nava brands. It purchases ceramic floor, wall, and decorative tiles from one of its subsidiaries, Tile Top Industry. In addition, it acts as a nationwide distributor through units Pick & Pay, Muangthong Ceramics, and World Wide Ceramics.

| Financial summary (THB) | Dec-19 | Dec-20 | Dec-21F | Dec-22F | Dec-23F |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Recurring EPS | 0.14 | 0.21 | 0.19 | 0.18 | 0.18 |
| DPS | 0.10 | 0.17 | 0.18 | 0.18 | 0.19 |
| BVPS | 0.67 | 0.77 | 0.81 | 0.82 | 0.82 |
| Return on average equity (%) | 22.6 | 28.4 | 23.7 | 22.3 | 22.6 |

| Valuation metrics | Dec-19 | Dec-20 | Dec-21F | Dec-22F | Dec-23F |
|--------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Recurring P/E (x) | 20.08 | 13.82 | 15.10 | 15.65 | 15.38 |
| P/B (x) | 4.3 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 |
| FCF Yield (%) | 2.0 | 8.0 | 7.1 | 6.4 | 7.8 |
| Dividend Yield (%) | 3.7 | 5.8 | 6.2 | 6.4 | 6.5 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 12.35 | 9.12 | 9.62 | 9.92 | 9.61 |
| EV/EBIT (x) | 17.20 | 12.57 | 12.94 | 13.37 | 13.03 |

| Income statement (THBm) | Dec-19 | Dec-20 | Dec-21F | Dec-22F | Dec-23F |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Total turnover | 8,118 | 8,501 | 8,664 | 9,085 | 9,355 |
| Gross profit | 3,126 | 3,529 | 3,675 | 3,817 | 3,909 |
| EBITDA | 1,891 | 2,630 | 2,664 | 2,716 | 2,763 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | (534) | (722) | (683) | (702) | (726) |
| Operating profit | 1,357 | 1,907 | 1,981 | 2,014 | 2,037 |
| Net interest | (42) | (49) | (25) | (17) | (14) |
| Pre-tax profit | 1,388 | 1,946 | 2,039 | 2,083 | 2,111 |
| Taxation | (275) | (360) | (403) | (421) | (422) |
| Reported net profit | 973 | 1,585 | 1,630 | 1,656 | 1,685 |
| Recurring net profit | 973 | 1,585 | 1,630 | 1,656 | 1,685 |

| Cash flow (THBm) | Dec-19 | Dec-20 | Dec-21F | Dec-22F | Dec-23F |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Change in working capital | (309) | 304 | (125) | (85) | (46) |
| Cash flow from operations | 1,468 | 2,332 | 2,202 | 2,332 | 2,506 |
| Capex | (1,083) | (573) | (449) | (664) | (487) |
| Cash flow from investing activities | (3,073) | (503) | (523) | (663) | (438) |
| Dividends paid | (736) | (1,187) | (1,638) | (1,597) | (1,679) |
| Cash flow from financing activities | 1,597 | (1,876) | (1,709) | (1,699) | (2,020) |
| Cash at beginning of period | 126 | 118 | 71 | 41 | 11 |
| Net change in cash | (8) | (47) | (30) | (30) | 48 |
| Ending balance cash | 118 | 71 | 41 | 11 | 59 |

| Balance sheet (THBm) | Dec-19 | Dec-20 | Dec-21F | Dec-22F | Dec-23F |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Total cash and equivalents | 118 | 71 | 41 | 11 | 59 |
| Tangible fixed assets | 6,029 | 5,879 | 5,646 | 5,608 | 5,369 |
| Total investments | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total assets | 8,722 | 8,796 | 8,761 | 8,846 | 8,643 |
| Short-term debt | 3,967 | 2,165 | 1,028 | 926 | 585 |
| Total liabilities | 5,203 | 3,937 | 2,786 | 2,797 | 2,582 |
| Total equity | 3,519 | 4,858 | 5,974 | 6,050 | 6,061 |
| Total liabilities & equity | 8,722 | 8,796 | 8,761 | 8,846 | 8,643 |

| Key metrics | Dec-19 | Dec-20 | Dec-21F | Dec-22F | Dec-23F |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Revenue growth (%) | 1.1 | 4.7 | 1.9 | 4.9 | 3.0 |
| Recurrent EPS growth (%) | (5.7) | 45.3 | (8.4) | (3.6) | 1.8 |
| Gross margin (%) | 38.5 | 41.5 | 42.4 | 42.0 | 41.8 |
| Operating EBITDA margin (%) | 23.3 | 30.9 | 30.7 | 29.9 | 29.5 |
| Net profit margin (%) | 12.0 | 18.6 | 18.8 | 18.2 | 18.0 |
| Dividend payout ratio (%) | 77.6 | 85.3 | 98.0 | 99.8 | 100.2 |
| Capex/sales (%) | 13.3 | 6.7 | 5.2 | 7.3 | 5.2 |
| Interest cover (x) | 32.5 | 39.0 | 79.9 | 121.3 | 143.6 |

Source: Company data, RHB



Figure 1: DCF valuation

| THBm | | 2021F | 2022F | 2023F | 2024F | 2025F | 2026F | 2027F | 2028F | 2029F |
|---|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Operating EBIT | | 1,981 | 2,014 | 2,037 | 2,111 | 2,201 | 2,284 | 2,374 | 2,435 | 2,578 |
| Operating EBIT x (1-t) | | 1,589 | 1,607 | 1,630 | 1,689 | 1,761 | 1,827 | 1,899 | 1,948 | 2,063 |
| D&A | | 683 | 702 | 726 | 792 | 834 | 893 | 952 | 999 | 1,050 |
| Δ Net working capital | | (125) | (85) | 267 | (122) | (79) | (100) | (129) | (155) | (225) |
| FCF from operations | | 2,147 | 2,223 | 2,623 | 2,360 | 2,517 | 2,621 | 2,723 | 2,793 | 2,888 |
| Capex | | (449) | (664) | (487) | (603) | (894) | (1,034) | (1,183) | (1,151) | (1,200) |
| Net FCFF | | 1,698 | 1,560 | 2,136 | 1,756 | 1,622 | 1,586 | 1,540 | 1,642 | 1,688 |
| Discounted net FCFF | | 1,684 | 1,449 | 1,859 | 1,432 | 1,239 | 1,135 | 1,032 | 1,031 | 992 |
| Terminal value | | | | | | | | | | 28,063 |
| PV of net FCFF | 11,852 | | | | | | | | | |
| PV of terminal value | 16,498 | | | | | | | | | |
| Implicit growth rate | 0.7% | | | | | | | | | |
| WACC | 6.8% | | | | | | | | | |
| Firm value | 28,350 | | | | | | | | | |
| Net debt | (2,094) | | | | | | | | | |
| Cash raised from exercising DCC-W1 | 1,066 | | | | | | | | | |
| Minority interest | (96) | | | | | | | | | |
| Equity value | 27,226 | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of shares outstanding (m shares) | 9,126 | | | | | | | | | |
| Intrinsic value (THB) | 2.98 | | | | | | | | | |
| ESG premium / (discount) | (6%) | | | | | | | | | |
| TP (THB) | 2.80 | | | | | | | | | |
| WACC assumption | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cost of debt | 3.0% | | | | | | | | | |
| Weight | 31% | | | | | | | | | |
| Cost of equity | 8.4% | | | | | | | | | |
| Weight | 69% | | | | | | | | | |
| Expected market return | 12.0% | | | | | | | | | |
| Risk-free rate | 2.0% | | | | | | | | | |
| Beta | 0.64 | | | | | | | | | |

Source: RHB

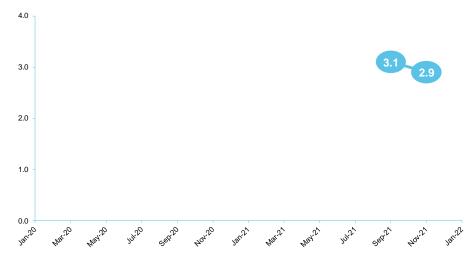
Recommendation Chart



Source: RHB, Bloomberg

| Date | Recommendation | Target Price | Price |
|------------|----------------|--------------|-------|
| 2021-11-25 | Neutral | 2.80 | 2.86 |
| 2021-09-07 | Sell | 2.45 | 2.96 |
| 2020-09-29 | Sell | 2.15 | 2.50 |
| 2020-07-15 | Sell | 2.10 | 2.42 |
| 2020-06-09 | Buy | 2.10 | 1.87 |
| 2020-01-24 | Buy | 2.25 | 1.85 |
| 2019-09-06 | Buy | 2.50 | 2.02 |
| 2018-12-21 | Buy | 2.68 | 2.00 |
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