# Sunway Construction Group <br> FY16 Below Expectations 

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FY16 CNP of RM117.6m was below expectation, accounting for $88 \% / 92 \%$ of our and streets' full-year estimates. No dividend declared, but we are expecting a final dividend to be declared at a later date. Trim FY17E CNP by $2.5 \%$ and introduce FY18E CNP of RM146.9m. Downgrade to MARKET PERFORM from OUTPERFORM with a lower SoP-driven Target Price of RM1.77 (previously, RM1.81).
Below expectations. FY16 CNP of RM117.6m was below expectations, accounting for only $88 \% / 92 \%$ of our/streets' full-year estimates. The shortfall in earnings was mainly due to the progress billings mismatch, as our progressive billings for its on-going jobs are much more aggressive as compared to actual performance. No dividends were declared in 4Q16, but we are expecting a final interim dividend to be declared on a later date.

Results highlight. FY16 CNP saw a decline of 9\%, in line with the decrease in revenue ( $-7 \%$ ), where the main drag in revenue was due to its construction division as some of its on-going projects have been handed over and they are currently on transition to MRT2 project, which has yet reached advance construction stage and hence meaningful contribution. On a positive note, its construction division saw improvements in pre-tax margins by 2ppt to $6 \%$ as SUNCON had previously recognised the costs for acceleration works for certain projects back in FY15. QoQ-wise, its revenue shot up $45 \%$ as the construction works for some of its on-going projects have picked up pace. However, its CNP came off by $27 \%$, mainly bogged down by margin compression of 4 ppt to $7 \%$.

Outlook. For FY16, SUNCON managed to bag RM2.7b worth of jobs surpassing our replenishment target of RM2.5b. That said, they also started FY17 with a RM449.0m contract for construction of an apartment in Kelana Jaya by Sunway Bhd. Current outstanding order book stands at RM4.8b providing earnings visibility for the next 2-3 years. Going forward, management targets a lower replenishment of RM2.0b for FY17, while we also revised down our forecast to management's target from RM2.5b previously. We believe a lower order-book replenishment target for FY17E is achievable should they secure a package from LRT3.
Revision in earnings. Following the downward revision in our FY17E order-book replenishments, we trimmed our FY17E CNP by $2.5 \%$, and introduce our FY18E CNP of RM146.9m.
Downgrade to MARKET PERFORM. Following the adjustment in earnings, we are also downgrading our call on SUNCON from OUTPERFORM to MARKET PERFORM with a lower SoP-based Target Price of RM1.77 (previously, RM1.81). Our TP of RM1.77 implies FY17E PER of $15.7 x$ which is still close to the lower end of our big caps' targeted PER range of $16-18 x$.
Risks to our call include: (i) lower-than-expected margins/order book replenishment, (ii) delay in construction works, and (iii) cut or delay in government spending on infrastructure and affordable housing projects.

## MARKET PERFORM

## Price: <br> RM1.80

Target Price: RM1.77

## Share Price Performance



Stock Information

| Shariah Compliant |  |  | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bloomberg Ticker |  | SCGB | MK Equity |
| Market Cap (RM m) |  |  | 2,327.2 |
| Issued shares |  |  | 1,292.9 |
| 52-week range (H) |  |  | 1.81 |
| 52-week range (L) |  |  | 1.38 |
| 3-mth avg daily vol: |  |  | 1,392,343 |
| Free Float |  |  | 34\% |
| Beta |  |  | n.a. |
| Major Shareholders |  |  |  |
| Sunway Holdings Sdn Bhd |  |  | 54.4\% |
| Sungei Way Corp Sdn Bhd |  |  | 10.1\% |
| Norges Bank |  |  | 1.8\% |
| Summary Earnings Table |  |  |  |
| FY Dec (RM'm) | 2016A | 2017E | 2018E |
| Turnover | 1,788.8 | 2,339.0 | 2,414.3 |
| EBIT | 149.6 | 185.3 | 185.7 |
| PBT | 153.7 | 193.7 | 195.9 |
| Net Profit (NP) | 123.5 | 145.2 | 146.9 |
| Core net profit | 117.7 | 145.2 | 146.9 |
| Consensus (NP) | n.a. | 135.8 | 157.9 |
| Earnings Revision | n.a. | -2.5\% | n.a. |
| Basic EPS | 9.1 | 11.2 | 11.4 |
| EPS growth (\%) | -3\% | 18\% | 1\% |
| DPS (sen) | 3.3 | 3.9 | 4.0 |
| Basic PER (x) | 19.8 | 16.0 | 15.8 |
| BVPS (RM) | 0.38 | 0.45 | 0.53 |
| Net Gearing (x) | n.c. | n.c. | n.c. |
| Dividend Yield (\%) | 1.9\% | 2.2\% | 2.2\% |

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## Peer Comparison

| CORE COVERAGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| NAME | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Price } \\ & (23 / 2 / 17) \end{aligned}$ | Mkt Cap | PER (x) |  |  | Est. <br> Div. <br> YId. | Est. ROE | P/BV | Net Profit (RMm) |  |  | 1 Yr Fwd NP Growth | 2 Yr Fwd NP Growth | Target Price | Rating | YTD (\%) |
|  | (RM) | (RMm) | Actual | 1 Yr Fwd | 2 Yr Fwd | (\%) | (\%) | (x) | Actual | 1 Yr <br> Fwd | 2 Yr <br> Fwd | (\%) | (\%) | (RM) |  |  |
| EVERSENDAI CORP BHD | 0.65 | 499.2 | 10.5 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 5.1 | 0.5 | 47.5 | 50.6 | 51.7 | 6.5 | 2.2 | 0.60 | Outperform | 12.17 |
| GAMUDA BHD | 4.89 | 11861.9 | 18.8 | 16.6 | 15.9 | 2.5 | 9.8 | 1.6 | 626.1 | 709.5 | 741.7 | 13.3 | 4.5 | 4.85 | Market Perform | 2.30 |
| IJM CORP BHD | 3.42 | 12337.1 | 24.4 | 22.2 | 20.0 | 1.8 | 5.9 | 1.3 | 499.9 | 549.5 | 612.0 | 9.9 | 11.4 | 3.51 | Market Perform | 6.87 |
| KIMLUN CORP BHD | 2.16 | 670.2 | 10.1 | 8.2 | 7.7 | 3.0 | 15.1 | 1.2 | 64.4 | 78.7 | 83.8 | 22.2 | 6.5 | 2.51 | Outperform | 3.85 |
| MUHIBBAH ENGINEERING (M) BHD | 2.52 | 1210.4 | 13.0 | 12.9 | 11.4 | 1.7 | 9.3 | 1.2 | 88.9 | 89.5 | 101.5 | 0.7 | 13.4 | 2.48 | Market Perform | 13.00 |
| HOCK SENG LEE BERHAD | 1.69 | 928.7 | 12.2 | 14.5 | 10.4 | 1.4 | 9.0 | 1.3 | 76.2 | 64.1 | 89.2 | -15.9 | 39.1 | 1.79 | Market Perform | 5.62 |
| NAIM HOLDINGS BERHAD | 1.65 | 391.0 | -19.5 | 10.4 | 9.2 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 0.3 | -20.1 | 37.5 | 42.6 | -286.7 | 13.7 | 1.38 | Underperform | -13.16 |
| WCT HOLDINGS BHD | 1.91 | 2397.0 | 37.7 | 21.8 | 19.3 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 1.1 | 84.8 | 146.9 | 165.3 | 73.2 | 12.5 | 1.58 | Underperform | 10.40 |
| MITRAJAYA HOLDINGS BHD | 1.27 | 849.9 | 10.9 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 3.1 | 18.7 | 1.8 | 87.7 | 99.9 | 102.1 | 13.9 | 2.2 | 1.49 | Outperform | 0.79 |
| SUNWAY CONSTRUCTION GROUP | 1.80 | 2327.2 | 19.8 | 16.0 | 15.8 | 2.2 | 25.0 | 4.0 | 117.7 | 145.2 | 146.9 | 23.4 | 1.2 | 1.77 | Market Perform | 5.88 |
| KERJAYA PROSPEK GROUP BHD | 2.51 | 1281.9 | $87.8$ | $14.3$ | $11.3$ | 2.7 | 13.7 | 2.0 | 16.1 | 98.9 | 125.9 | 512.6 | 27.4 | 2.64 | Outperform | 15.67 |
| Average |  |  | $20.5$ | 14.2 | $12.7$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| NAME | Price <br> (RM) | Mkt Cap(RMm) | PER ( x ) |  |  | Est. <br> Div. <br> YId. <br> (\%) | Est. <br> ROE <br> (\%) | P/BV$(x)$ | Net Profit (RMm) |  |  | 1 Yr <br> Fwd NP Growth <br> (\%) | 2 Yr Fwd NP Growth (\%) | Target Price <br> (RM) | Rating | YTD (\%) |
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|  |  |  | Actual | 1 Yr <br> Fwd | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \mathrm{Yr} \\ & \text { Fwd } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | Actual | 1 Yr Fwd | 2 Yr <br> Fwd |  |  |  |  |  |
| MUDAJAYA | 0.91 | 489.9 | -344.1 | -11.2 | 12.8 | 4.9 | -3.9 | 0.4 | -1.4 | -43.9 | 38.5 | 2974.2 | -187.6 | n.a. | Not Rated | 0.00 |
| PROTASCO | 1.18 | 500.6 | 7.4 | 9.5 | 8.4 | 5.8 | 12.1 | 1.2 | 66.8 | 51.8 | 58.5 | -22.4 | 12.9 | 1.52 | Trading Buy | 4.42 |
| PINTARAS JAYA | 3.50 | 573.2 | 32.1 | 13.9 | 11.3 | 5.6 | 12.1 | 1.7 | 17.8 | 41.1 | 50.3 | 130.8 | 22.4 | 4.20 | Trading Buy | -0.57 |
| GABUNGAN AQRS | 1.08 | 421.6 | 18.6 | 10.9 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 22.6 | 38.5 | 54.2 | 70.4 | 40.9 | n.a. | Not Rated | 19.34 |
| GADANG HOLDINGS | 1.11 | 718.6 | 6.8 | 7.4 | 7.1 | 2.3 | 16.8 | 1.2 | 94.2 | 86.9 | 90.8 | -7.7 | 4.4 | 2.44 | Not Rated | 5.71 |
| AZRB | 0.69 | 332.6 | 14.6 | 13.2 | 11.5 | 2.9 | n.a. | n.a. | 22.9 | 25.2 | 29.0 | 10.2 | 15.1 | n.a. | Not Rated | 8.66 |
| TRC SYNERGY | 0.42 | 201.8 | 6.6 | 7.3 | 5.4 | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | 30.7 | 27.6 | 37.4 | -10.1 | 35.3 | n.a. | Not Rated | 10.53 |
| BINA PURI | 0.46 | 114.3 | 29.4 | 7.5 | 6.5 | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | 3.3 | 13.0 | 15.0 | 294.4 | 15.4 | n.a. | Not Rated | 5.75 |
| GKENT | 2.91 | 1092.7 | 21.7 | 14.8 | 12.3 | 2.6 | 20.1 | 3.0 | 50.3 | 73.6 | 89.1 | 46.4 | 21.1 | 2.80 | Trading Buy | -4.28 |
| PESONA | 0.66 | 432.8 | 36.9 | 20.3 | 12.2 | 2.3 | 14.2 | 2.9 | 11.7 | 21.3 | 35.3 | 82.2 | 65.7 | 0.485 | Take Profit | 9.09 |
| Average |  |  | -32.6 | 7.5 | 9.4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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## Stock Ratings are defined as follows:

## Stock Recommendations

| OUTPERFORM | :A particular stock's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10\% (an approximation to the |
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| MARKET PERFORM | 5-year annualised Total Return of FBMKLCI of 10.2\%). |
| :A particular stock's Expected Total Return is WITHIN the range of 3\% to 10\%. |  |
| UNDERPERFORM | :A particular stock's Expected Total Return is LESS than 3\% (an approximation to the |
|  | 12-month Fixed Deposit Rate of 3.15\% as a proxy to Risk-Free Rate). |

## Sector Recommendations***

OVERWEIGHT :A particular sector's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10\% (an approximation to the 5 -year annualised Total Return of FBMKLCI of 10.2\%).

UNDERWEIGHT
:A particular sector'sExpected Total Return is WITHIN the range of $3 \%$ to $10 \%$.
:A particular sector'sExpected Total Return is LESS than 3\% (an approximation tothe 12-month Fixed Deposit Rate of $3.15 \%$ as a proxy to Risk-Free Rate).

## ***Sector recommendations are defined based on market capitalisation weighted average expected total return for stocks under our coverage.


#### Abstract

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