Sunway Construction Group (SCGB MK) 2Q18: Precast a drag

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2Q18 results came in below ours/consensus expectations largely dragged by weak contribution from the precast division as a result of higher steel bar prices. This is despite the stronger showing from the construction segment on the back of high works recognition. Our earnings and TP (15x FY19 PER, -1SD) are unchanged pending an update with management.

Precast continues to drag earnings

2Q18 net profit of MYR36m (flat YoY and QoQ) brought 1H18 net profit to MYR72m (+3% YoY), meeting just 45%/43% of ours/consensus full-year forecasts. The shortfall in 2Q18 was contributed by the precast segment which reported a lower EBIT of MYR2m (-59% YoY, -37% QoQ), impacted by higher steel bar prices which were above the price during the tender stage. As a result, EBIT margin for the segment fell by 11.2ppts YoY (-2.7ppts QoQ) in 2Q18.

Construction still supporting growth

YoY, construction continues to see growth, reporting an EBIT of MYR40m (+12% YoY, +2% QoQ) in 2Q18. This is in-line with the topline growth supported by higher works recognition mainly from the KVMRT 2, Parcel F and Putrajaya projects. EBIT margin for the division also remained stable at 7.8% (-1.4ppts YoY, -0.2ppts QoQ.). SCG's outstanding orderbook stood at MYR5.8b as of end-Jun 2018.

Targeting MYR1.5b of job wins for FY18

Having secured MYR854m of new jobs (incl. precast) as of end-Jun 2018, we believe SCG's internal job win target of MYR1.5-2b in FY18 is achievable. We believe this would largely be supported by the internal property developments within Sunway Group. Our earnings forecasts have assumed MYR1.5b of job wins for FY18. However, we do see downside risk to our earnings with the cost review of the KVLRT 3 and extended duration of its construction period (from 2021 to 2024).

FYE Dec (MYR m)	FY16A	FY17A	FY18E	FY19E	FY20E
Revenue	1,789	2,076	2,536	3,101	3,163
EBITDA	188	202	244	289	275
Core net profit	124	138	164	196	184
Core EPS (sen)	9.6	10.7	12.7	15.2	14.2
Core EPS growth (%)	(2.9)	11.6	19.3	19.5	(6.5)
Net DPS (sen)	5.0	7.0	4.5	5.3	5.0
Core P/E (x)	16.5	19.3	15.9	13.3	14.2
P/BV (x)	4.1	4.8	4.0	3.3	2.9
Net dividend yield (%)	3.2	3.4	2.2	2.6	2.5
ROAE (%)	26.2	26.3	27.1	27.1	21.7
ROAA (%)	8.2	7.9	8.7	9.4	7.8
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.9	14.3	8.8	6.9	6.9
Net gearing (%) (incl perps)	net cash				
Consensus net profit	-	-	167	182	189
MKE vs. Consensus (%)	-	-	(1.4)	8.1	(2.7)

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Share Price	MYR 2.02
12m Price Target	MYR 2.30 (+14%)
Previous Price Target	MYR 2.30

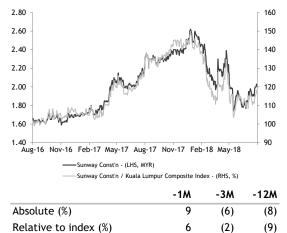
Company Description

Sunway	Cor	struction	Gro	ир	offers	integrated
construct	ion	services	and	has	precast	concrete
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Statistics

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Price Performance



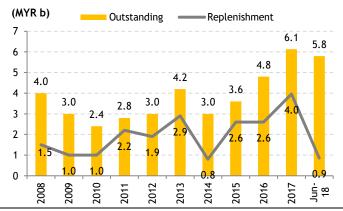
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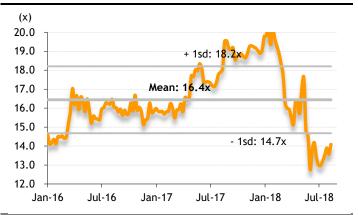
		Quarterly results					Cumulative		
FY Dec (RM m)	2Q18	2Q17	% ҮоҮ	1Q18	% QoQ	1H18	1H17	% YoY	
Turnover	544.3	417.2	30.4	529.2	2.8	1,073.5	836.8	28.3	
EBIT	42.0	40.9	2.8	42.7	(1.7)	84.7	82.0	3.3	
Net interest	3.2	1.0	202.4	1.0	226.5	4.1	3.2	30.6	
Pre-tax profits	45.2	41.9	7.8	43.7	3.3	88.9	85.2	4.3	
Tax	(9.3)	(6.1)	53.0	(7.9)	17.9	(17.2)	(15.6)	10.2	
Minority Interests	(0.0)	0.1	NM	0.0	NM	0.0	0.1	(92.3)	
Net profit	35.9	35.9	(0.1)	35.9	0.0	71.7	69.7	2.9	
EBIT margin (%)	2Q18 7.7	2Q17 9.8	+/- ppt (2.1)	1Q18 <i>8.1</i>	+/- ppt (0.4)	1H18 <i>7</i> .9	1H17 9.8	+/- ppt (1.9)	
Pretax margin (%)	8.3	10.0	(1.7)	8.3	0.0	8.3	10.2	(1.9)	
Tax rate (%)	20.6	14.5	6.1	18.0	2.5	19.3	18.3	1.0	
Revenue	2Q18	2Q17	% YoY	1Q18	% QoQ	1H18	1H17	% YoY	
Construction	511.6	387.1	32.2	492.1	4.0	1,003.7	737.9	36.0	
Precast concrete	32.6	30.1	8.4	37.1	(12.1)	69.8	98.9	(29.4)	
Total	544.3	417.2	30.4	529.2	2.8	1,073.5	836.8	28.3	
<u>EBIT</u>									
Construction	39.7	35.4	12.3	39.2	1.5	78.9	61.7	28.0	
Precast concrete	2.3	5.5	(58.5)	3.6	(36.5)	5.8	20.4	(71.4)	
Total	42.0	40.9	2.8	42.7	(1.7)	84.7	82.0	3.3	
EBIT margin (%)	2Q18	2Q17	+/- ppt	1Q18	+/- ppt	1H18	1H17	+/- ppt	
Construction	7.8	9.1	(1.4)	8.0	(0.2)	7.9	8.4	(0.5)	
Precast concrete	6.9	18.2	(11.2)	9.6	(2.7)	8.4	20.6	(12.3)	
Total	7.7	9.8	(2.1)	8.1	(0.4)	7.9	9.8	(1.9)	

Source: Maybank Kim Eng, Company

Outstanding orderbook as of end-Jun 2018



Forward PER Chart



Source: Company data, Maybank Kim Eng

*Including precast

Source: Company data, Maybank Kim Eng

End-Jun 2018	Contract value (MYR m)	Outstanding (MYR m)
Infrastructure		. ,
KVMRT 2, V201 (Sg Buloh-Persiaran Dagang)	1,213	587
KVMRT 2, V201 - Advance Works	53	7
SUKE + DASH Bore Piling #	34	11
BBCC (Bore Piling) #	88	42
LRT 3 : Package GS07-08 #	2,178	2,067
Piling Works*	75	74
Building		
Putrajava Parcel F	1,610	421
KLCC (NEC + Package 2 & 2a)	646	43
HUKM (MEP works)	66	26
International School of KL	268	36
Gas District Cooling (Plant 1) #	152	50
PPA1M Project in Kota Bahru #	582	420
Warehouse in Shah Alam #	70	68
M&E Works*	10	10
Velocity Ecodeck*	11	11
Internal		
Sunway Velocity Medical Centre	185	95
Sunway Medical Centre 4 (2 towers)	512	456
Sunway Iskandar - Emerald Residences	175	12
Sunway Iskandar - Retail Complex	170	130
Sunway Property - Kelana Jaya Condo #	449	357
Sunway Carnival 2 Extension - PDP contract *	286	277
SunGeo Lake 44 storey residential tower *	200	210
SMC Seberang Jaya*	180	180
Others*	14	12
Drocost	220	400
Precast	330	128
Precast new-order 2018*	55	55
TOTAL	9,635	5,785
# Secured in 2017: *Secured in 2018		

Secured in 2017; *Secured in 2018 Source: Company

Risk statement

There are several risk factors for our earnings estimates, price target and rating for SCG. Slower-than-expected work progress at major construction projects may affect timing of earnings recognition. The review of major infrastructure projects by the new government could also delay implementation of new projects affecting future orderbook replenishment.

FYE 31 Dec	FY16A	FY17A	FY18E	FY19E	FY20E
Key Metrics					
P/E (reported) (x)	16.5	19.3	15.9	13.3	14.2
Core P/E (x)	16.5	19.3	15.9	13.3	14.2
P/BV (x)	4.1	4.8	4.0	3.3	2.9
P/NTA (x)	4.2	4.8	4.0	3.3	2.9
Net dividend yield (%)	3.2	3.4	2.2	2.6	2.5
• • • •	3.4	0.5	6.3	8.1	6.9
FCF yield (%)					
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.9	14.3	8.8	6.9	6.9
EV/EBIT (x)	12.5	17.6	10.5	8.1	8.3
INCOME STATEMENT (MYR m)					
Revenue	1,788.8	2,076.3	2,536.1	3,100.5	3,163.2
Gross profit	379.0	428.6	477.8	531.1	508.1
EBITDA	188.3	202.4	244.3	288.9	274.6
Depreciation	(39.1)	(37.8)	(39.0)	(40.4)	(45.8)
•	(39.1)	, ,			
EBIT		164.6	205.4	248.5	228.8
Net interest income /(exp)	4.4	7.4	8.1	5.8	8.7
Associates & JV	0.0	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Exceptionals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pretax profit	153.7	174.2	213.4	254.4	237.5
Income tax	(30.0)	(36.2)	(49.0)	(57.9)	(53.9)
Minorities	(0.1)	(0.1)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Reported net profit	123.5	137.8	164.5	196.5	183.6
Core net profit	123.5	137.8	164.5	196.5	183.6
Preferred Dividends	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
BALANCE SHEET (MYR m)					
Cash & Short Term Investments	465.8	487.2	595.3	738.8	854.4
Accounts receivable	938.4	1,195.3	1,093.1	1,304.1	1,327.5
Inventory	24.0	24.4	22.6	28.2	29.1
Property, Plant & Equip (net)	138.4	149.8	161.6	183.2	200.7
Intangible assets	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Investment in Associates & JVs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other assets	28.5	28.2	28.2	28.2	28.2
Total assets					
	1,597.3	1,887.2	1,903.0	2,284.7	2,442.1
ST interest bearing debt	136.5	134.7	134.7	134.7	134.7
Accounts payable	955.0	1,185.1	1,093.9	1,348.0	1,386.1
LT interest bearing debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other liabilities	12.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0
Total Liabilities	1,103.5	1,332.3	1,241.2	1,495.3	1,533.3
Shareholders Equity	493.0	553.7	660.6	788.3	907.7
Minority Interest	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Total shareholder equity	493.8	554.8	661.7	789.4	908.8
Perpetual securities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total liabilities and equity	1,597.3	1,887.2	1,903.0	2,284.7	2,442.1
CASH FLOW (MYR m)				a= · · ·	
Pretax profit	153.7	174.2	213.4	254.4	237.5
Depreciation & amortisation	39.1	37.8	39.0	40.4	45.8
Adj net interest (income)/exp	4.4	7.4	8.1	5.8	8.7
Change in working capital	(58.7)	(112.0)	12.9	37.5	13.7
Cash taxes paid	(26.5)	(37.1)	(49.0)	(57.9)	(53.9)
Other operating cash flow	(26.4)	(7.4)	(8.1)	(5.8)	(8.7)
Cash flow from operations	85.6	62.8	216.3	274.3	243.1
Capex	(17.0)	(48.4)	(50.7)	(62.0)	(63.3)
Free cash flow	68.7	14.4	165.6	212.3	179.9
Dividends paid	(84.0)	(71.1)	(57.6)	(68.8)	(64.3)
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Change in Debt	(0.3)	(1.9)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other invest/financing cash flow	91.7	89.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net cash flow	76.0	31.0	108.0	143.6	115.6

FYE 31 Dec	FY16A	FY17A	FY18E	FY19E	FY20E
Key Ratios					
Growth ratios (%)					
Revenue growth	(6.7)	16.1	22.1	22.3	2.0
EBITDA growth	5.7	7.5	20.7	18.2	(5.0)
EBIT growth	9.5	10.3	24.7	21.0	(7.9)
Pretax growth	9.2	13.4	22.5	19.2	(6.6)
Reported net profit growth	(2.9)	11.6	19.3	19.5	(6.5)
Core net profit growth	(2.9)	11.6	19.3	19.5	(6.5)
Profitability ratios (%)					
EBITDA margin	10.5	9.7	9.6	9.3	8.7
EBIT margin	8.3	7.9	8.1	8.0	7.2
Pretax profit margin	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.2	7.5
Payout ratio	52.3	65.6	35.0	35.0	35.0
DuPont analysis					
Net profit margin (%)	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.3	5.8
Revenue/Assets (x)	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.3
Assets/Equity (x)	3.2	3.4	2.9	2.9	2.7
ROAE (%)	26.2	26.3	27.1	27.1	21.7
ROAA (%)	8.2	7.9	8.7	9.4	7.8
Liquidity & Efficiency					
Cash conversion cycle	(51.6)	(43.5)	(32.8)	(28.3)	(31.7)
Days receivable outstanding	166.6	185.0	162.4	139.2	149.8
Days inventory outstanding	5.3	5.3	4.1	3.6	3.9
Days payables outstanding	223.5	233.8	199.3	171.1	185.4
Dividend cover (x)	1.9	1.5	2.9	2.9	2.9
Current ratio (x)	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5
Leverage & Expense Analysis					
Asset/Liability (x)	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6
Net gearing (%) (incl perps)	net cash				
Net gearing (%) (excl. perps)	net cash				
Net interest cover (x)	na	na	na	na	na
Debt/EBITDA (x)	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5
Capex/revenue (%)	0.9	2.3	2.0	2.0	2.0
Net debt/ (net cash)	(329.3)	(352.6)	(460.6)	(604.2)	(719.8)

Source: Company; Maybank

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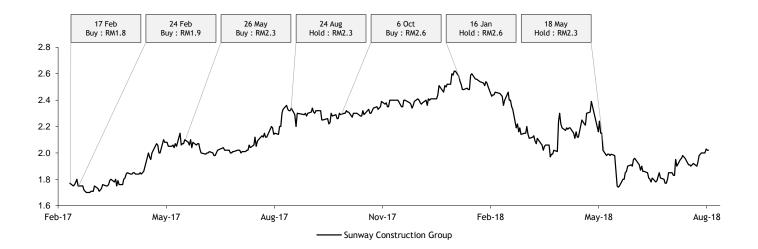
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