# Beshom Holdings Berhad 

## Remain Cautiously Optimistic on Its Outlook

Sell (ESG: $\star \star \star$ )

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 RM7.5mn (-19.8\% YoY), primarily due to the high base effect in previous corresponding year.- Retail. For 9MFY24, the retail segment posted revenue of RM25.7mn ($17.5 \% \mathrm{YoY}$ ) mainly due to subdued demand for health-supplements products following the normalcy of Covid-I9. 9MFY24's EBIT tumbled $84.7 \%$ YoY to RM0.4mn caused by an increase in staff cost coupled with lower revenue.


## Impact

- No change to our earnings forecasts.


## Outlook

- MLM. Management remains cautious on the market outlook (increase in SST to $8 \%$ and weakening of RM against the major currencies), which would dampen the spending power. However, we expect the improved marketing initiatives would increase its members' performance and retention rate.
- Wholesale. Beshom plans to promote its key products by offering overseas trips as incentives to its customers. Additionally, we believe that robust tourist arrivals will boost its sales of goods to duty free shop in the upcoming quarter.
- Retail. We anticipate the retail division will mark an improvement on its top line for 4QFY24 with the roll out of a year-end loyalty members' sales campaign specifically targeting loyalty members.


Source: Bloomberg

## Valuation

- We maintain SELL on Beshom with an unchanged TP of RM0.80/share, based on $15 \times$ CY24 EPS.

Table I: Earnings Summary

| FYE Apr (RM'mn) | 2022 | 2023 | $2024 F$ | $2025 F$ | 2026F |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Revenue |  | 209.6 | 174.2 | 153.9 | 171.5 | 191.9 |
| EBITDA |  | 46.2 | 29.5 | 21.5 | 28.8 | 31.6 |
| EBIT |  | 40.0 | 24.0 | 15.6 | 22.9 | 25.8 |
| PBT |  | 40.3 | 24.3 | 15.9 | 23.7 | 26.5 |
| Net profit |  | 28.2 | 16.3 | 12.0 | 18.0 | 20.1 |
| Core net profit |  | 28.4 | 18.0 | 12.0 | 18.0 | 20.1 |
| Core EPS | (sen) | 9.4 | 6.0 | 4.0 | 6.0 | 6.7 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Core PER | $(\mathrm{x})$ | 9.3 | 14.6 | 21.9 | 14.7 | 13.1 |
| DPS | $($ sen $)$ | 8.0 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Div. yield | $(\%)$ | 9.1 | 5.7 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 5.7 |

Table 2: 3QFY24 Results Analysis

| FYE 30 Apr (RM'mn) |  | 3QFY23 | 2QFY24 | 3QFY24 | QoQ (\%) | YoY (\%) | 9MFY23 | 9MFY24 | YoY (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue |  | 42.9 | 37.9 | 42.2 | 11.3 | (1.7) | 135.2 | 115.2 | (14.8) |
| -MLM |  | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.3 | (0.3) | 0.2 | 55.3 | 39.1 | (29.4) |
| -Wholesale |  | 15.4 | 14.7 | 17.3 | 17.4 | 12.8 | 45.1 | 46.3 | 2.6 |
| -Retail |  | 12.9 | 8.5 | 10.2 | 20.1 | (21.0) | 31.1 | 25.7 | (17.5) |
| -Others |  | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 4.2 | 15.1 |
| Cost of sales |  | (25.0) | (23.0) | (25.3) | (9.8) | (0.8) | (79.3) | (68.5) | 13.7 |
| Gross profit |  | 17.8 | 14.9 | 16.9 | 13.7 | (5.2) | 55.9 | 46.8 | (16.3) |
| EBIT |  | 4.0 | 3.2 | 4.2 | 28.7 | 3.5 | 18.8 | 10.7 | (43.1) |
| -MLM |  | 0.2 | (0.0) | 0.7 | $>100$ | $>100$ | 5.3 | 1.1 | (80.1) |
| -Wholesale |  | 1.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 | (2.3) | 43.7 | 9.4 | 7.5 | (19.8) |
| -Retail |  | 1.5 | 0.2 | 0.6 | $>100$ | (60.9) | 2.8 | 0.4 | (84.7) |
| -Others |  | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 11.5 | 97.4 | 1.3 | 2.9 | >100 |
| Adj. EBIT |  | 3.9 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 37.0 | 6.1 | 17.1 | 10.6 | (37.7) |
| Net interest |  | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 15.8 | 14.8 | 0.3 | 0.3 | (0.3) |
| Extraordinary Items |  | (0.1) | (0.2) | - | $>100$ | $>100$ | (1.7) | (0.1) | 95.5 |
| PBT |  | 4.1 | 3.3 | 4.3 | 30.5 | 6.2 | 19.1 | 11.1 | (42.0) |
| Adj. PBT |  | 4.0 | 3.1 | 4.3 | 38.6 | 8.8 | 17.3 | 11.0 | (36.6) |
| Taxation |  | (1.2) | (1.0) | (1.3) | (34.2) | (10.1) | (5.1) | (3.2) | 37.2 |
| Minority Interest |  | (0.3) | (0.0) | (0.0) | 12.2 | 86.6 | (0.5) | (0.1) | 79.3 |
| Net Profit |  | 2.6 | 2.3 | 3.0 | 29.8 | 15.8 | 13.5 | 7.8 | (42.3) |
| Adj. Net Profit |  | 2.5 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 41.8 | 20.4 | 11.8 | 7.7 | (34.4) |
| Basic EPS | (sen) | 0.9 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 29.8 | 15.8 | 4.5 | 2.6 | (42.3) |
| DPS | (sen) | - | - | - | nm | nm | 3.0 | 1.5 | (50.0) |
|  |  |  |  | \%-points |  | \%-points |  |  | \%-points |
| EBIT Margin | (\%) | 9.4 | 8.5 | 9.9 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 13.9 | 9.3 | (4.6) |
| PBT Margin | (\%) | 9.5 | 8.8 | 10.3 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 14.1 | 9.6 | (4.5) |
| Net Margin | (\%) | 6.1 | 6.1 | 7.2 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 10.0 | 6.8 | (3.2) |
| Adj. Net Margin | (\%) | 5.8 | 5.6 | 7.2 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 8.7 | 6.7 | (2.0) |
| Tax Rate | (\%) | 28.5 | 28.7 | 29.6 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 26.4 | 28.6 | 2.2 |

Table 3: 3QFY24 Segmental Analysis

| FYE 30 Apr | 3QFY23 | 2QFY24 | 3QFY24 | QoQ | YoY | 9MFY23 | 9MFY24 | YoY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue | 42.9 | 37.9 | 42.2 | I I.3\% | - I.7\% | 135.2 | II5.2 | -14.8\% |
| Multi-Level Marketing | 13.3 | 13.3 | 13.3 | -0.3\% | 0.2\% | 55.3 | 39.1 | -29.4\% |
| Wholesale | 15.4 | 14.7 | 17.3 | 17.4\% | - 12.8\% | 45.1 | 46.3 | 2.6\% |
| Retail | 12.9 | 8.5 | 10.2 | 20.1\% | - $-21.0 \%$ | 31.1 | 25.7 | - $17.5 \%$ |
| Others | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 3.1\% | 0.0\% | 3.6 | 4.2 | I5.1\% |
| Segment EBIT | 4.0 | 3.7 | 4.9 | $31.5 \%$ | 21.7\% | 18.8 | 11.9 | -36.6\% |
| Multi-Level Marketing | 0.2 | (0.0) | 0.7 | >100\% | >100\% | 5.3 | 1.1 | -80.1\% |
| Wholesale | 1.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 | -2.3\% | 43.7\% | 9.4 | 7.5 | - 19.8\% |
| Retail | 1.5 | 0.2 | 0.6 | >100\% | -60.9\% | 2.8 | 0.4 | -84.7\% |
| Others | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.9 | $11.5 \%$ | -97.4\% | 1.3 | 2.9 | >100\% |
|  |  |  | \%-points \%-points |  |  |  | \%-points |  |
| Segment EBIT Margin | 9.4 | 9.8 | 11.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 13.9 | 10.4 | (3.6) |
| Multi-Level Marketing | 1.6 | (0.3) | 5.6 | 5.9 | 4.0 | 9.6 | 2.7 | (6.9) |
| Wholesale | 12.3 | 18.8 | 15.6 | (3.2) | 3.4 | 20.8 | 16.3 | (4.5) |
| Retail | 11.5 | 2.6 | 5.7 | 3.1 | (5.8) | 9.1 | 1.7 | (7.4) |

## Stock Recommendation Guideline

BUY : Total return within the next 12 months exceeds required rate of return by 5\%-point.
HOLD : Total return within the next 12 months exceeds required rate of return by between $0-5 \%$-point.
SELL : Total return is lower than the required rate of return.
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Total Return is defined as expected share price appreciation plus gross dividend over the next 12 months. Gross dividend is excluded from total return if dividend discount model valuation is used to avoid double counting.
Required Rate of Return of $7 \%$ is defined as the yield for one-year Malaysian government treasury plus assumed equity risk premium.
ESG Scoring \& Guideline

|  | Environmental | Social | Governance | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Scoring | $\star \star \star$ | $\star \star \star$ | $\star \star \star$ | $\star \star \star$ |
| Remark | It has established Code of Business Ethics for Suppliers and Business Associate to ensure sustainable supply. Meanwhile, Beshom is exploring way to adopt more environmentally friendly packaging. However, score remains muted owing to absence of quantifiable goal for near future. | Committed in promoting healthcare culture and improving human's wellbeing. The group also provide extensive leadership workshop to develop entrepreneurial spirit within distributors and community. | The board is well represented by independent directors yet may consider having more gender diversity in the board. Beshom has target of paying more than $50 \%$ of earnings as dividend. |  |

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$\star \star \star \star \quad(60-79 \%)$ : Above adequate integration of ESG factors into most aspects of operations, management and future directions.
$\star \star \star \quad(\mathbf{4 0 - 5 9 \%})$ : Adequate integration of ESG factors into operations, management and future directions.
$\star \star \quad \mathbf{( 2 0 - 3 9 \%}):$ Have some integration of ESG factors in operations and management but are insufficient.
$\star \quad$ (<20\%) : Minimal or no integration of ESG factors in operations and management.

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