DAR AL ARKAN



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Strong results supported by higher land sales

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- NCBC view on the results: Dar Al Arkan reported a strong set of 3Q16 results, with net income increasing 21.3% YoY, to SR112.5mn. This is the highest 3Q net income since 3Q13 and is significantly higher than the NCBC estimates of SR54.6mn. We believe the strong results and deviation are attributed to strong land sales and lower than expected Opex.
- Historically, land sales made-up 90-95% of total sales, with the remaining mainly coming from rental income. According to our calculation, we believe land sales came-in at SR580mn vs. our estimates of SR390mn. This would be the highest land sales level since 1Q15, and represents an increase of 14.6% YoY. The Ministry of Justice index shows the real estate transaction values in Saudi have declined c.25% YoY during 3Q16 and 24% YoY during the past year (1437H). Accordingly, we believe Dar Al Arkan managed to outperform by offering lower margins.
- Gross margins stood at 39.7%, contracting from 44.8% in 3Q15. This is the
 lowest level since 3Q14. We believe selling at lower margins, has supported
 overall land sale levels. Moreover, Opex stood at SR43.3mn vs. our
 estimates of SR52mn and SR60mn in 3Q15. We believe this is positive, and
 led to a limited margin contraction of 99bps on the EBIT level to 32.7%.
- In June 2016, the Council of Ministers approved the white land fees legislation. Initially, fees will be payable on white land in Riyadh, Jeddah and Dammam, at a rate of 2.5% per annum. These fees will be used to fund the development of the Ministry of Housing projects. We believe these fees will lead to a continued weakness in the real estate market. According to our assumption, we expect the fee on Dar Al Arkan's 38.4mn sqm land bank to be between SR137mn–SR160mn (which is 38%–45% of 2015 net income).
- We are currently Under Review on the stock. Although execution of projects is a positive catalyst, fees on white land and the overall slowdown in real estate transaction values remain key risks. Dar Al Arkan currently trades at a 2016E P/B of 0.3x vs. historic levels of 0.6x.

3Q16 Results Summary

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SR mn	3Q16A	3Q15A	% YoY	3Q16E	% Var^
Sales	617.6	540.9	14.2	427.3	44.5
Gross income	245.2	242.2	1.3	192.3	27.5
Gross margin (%)	39.7%	44.8%	(5.06)	45.0%	(5.30)
Operating income	201.9	182.2	10.8	140.3	43.9
Net income	112.5	92.7	21.3	54.6	105.9
Net margin (%)	18.2%	17.1%	1.07	12.8%	5.43
EPS	0.10	0.09	21.3	0.05	105.9

UNDER REVIEW

Target price (SR) NA
Current price (SR) 4.7

STOCK DETAILS

M52-week range H/L (SR)	7/4
Market cap (\$mn)	1,351
Shares outstanding (mn)	1,080
Listed on exchanges	TADAWUL

Price perform (%)	1M	3M	12M
Absolute	(11.3)	(31.0)	(32.5)
Rel. to market	(6.7)	(16.3)	(6.0)

Avg. daily turnover (mn)	SR	US\$
3M	144.7	38.6
12M	155.5	41.5

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VALUATION MULTIPLES

	15A	16E	17E
P/E (x)	14.1	22.4	17.4
P/B (x)	0.3	0.3	0.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	14.0	17.3	17.2
Div Yield (%)	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: NCBC Research estimates

SHARE PRICE PERFORMANCE



Source: Tadawul

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