# Indonesia Initiating Coverage



20 October 2023

# Sumber Alfaria Trijaya (AMRT IJ)

# Small Is The New Big; Initiate BUY

- Initiating coverage with a BUY and IDR3,500 TP, 25% upside. We are
  positive on Sumber Alfaria Trijaya's outlook, given the ability to leverage on
  its vast network and customer proximity factors that facilitate strong
  bargaining power vs other fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) players
  and firms wanting to get closer to consumers. As Indonesia's secondlargest mini-market player, we see AMRT as a key beneficiary of the rising
  mini-market trend. Key catalysts: A number of digitalisation initiatives,
  refining its product assortment and services, and improving store format.
- Leveraging on its vast physical network. We believe AMRT's vast physical store network is now its most attractive characteristic as an FMCG distribution point proxy for large digital/online players. Rising new consumer players, especially in beauty and other discretionary items, can benefit from tapping into the company's reach. We also acknowledge AMRT's ongoing resilience despite competition from e-commerce players and believe its vast physical stores presence a large portion of which are outside Greater Jakarta presents an opportunity to retailers looking for a partner that has direct distribution/access to their respective target customers.
- **Digitalisation the key focus.** AMRT is placing focus on Alfagift to enhance management of its consumer relationship. This platform should provide it with an ample database given the rise in purchase contributions from active members, and an in-depth analysis of such data will provide it with a greater understanding of consumer behaviour. AMRT can use such insight to conduct better marketing and promotional and merchandising strategies to encourage higher footfall. We believe other digitalisation initiatives (AlfaPOP and Alfamind), will also be positive over the longer term.
- A handful of initiatives on the cards. AMRT has undertaken a number of store developments eg launching Alfa X and Alfaexpress to adapt with changing market trends. It also introduced Bean Spot coffee corners within Alfamart stores that offer ready-to-eat (RTE) and ready-to-drink (RTD) products. The company also runs wholesaler distribution wing, Sumber Trijaya Lestari (STL), which supplies mainly to mom-and-pop shop (*warung*) owners. Despite revenue contributions remaining minimal at c.4%, we believe the initiative will help to widen AMRT's grip within the traditional stores space and fend off the competition.
- Financial outlook, valuation, and ESG. We expect the company to record c.13% CAGR revenue in 2023F-2025F from c.5-6% SSSG and 1,600-1,800 store openings. Solid gross margin, digitalisation strategies, sturdy income from fee-based transactions, and other operational efficiency strategies should strengthen net margin, allowing it to hover at c.3-4%. AMRT trades at c.29-30x 2024F P/E still lower than regional peers but higher than the local retailers. We believe AMRT's premium valuation is justified, as we expect it to book c.22% earnings CAGR in 2023F-2025F vs average retailers' 15%. We input a 0% ESG discount/premium, as its ESG score of 3.0 is on par with the country median.

Forecasts and Valuation	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Total turnover (IDRb)	84,904	96,925	109,755	124,015	140,155
Recurring net profit (IDRb)	1,218	2,080	2,423	2,986	3,723
Recurring net profit growth (%)	233.6	70.8	16.5	23.2	24.7
Recurring P/E (x)	95.80	56.10	48.16	39.08	31.34
P/B (x)	12.7	10.4	8.0	6.8	5.8
P/CF (x)	34.89	29.67	25.45	21.06	17.92
Dividend Yield (%)	na	na	na	na	na
EV/EBITDA (x)	45.12	30.62	25.67	22.82	18.48
Return on average equity (%)	23.1	27.9	25.6	25.1	26.2
Net debt to equity (%)	net cash				
Source: Company data, RHB					

Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

# Buy

Target Price (Return):	IDR3,500 (+25%)
Price (Market Cap):	IDR2,810 (USD7,378m)
ESG score:	3.00 (out of 4)
Avg Daily Turnover (IDR/USD)	49,067m/3.19m

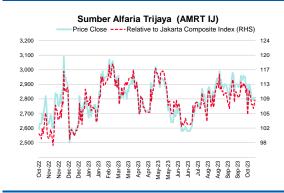
#### Analysts

Vanessa Karmajaya +6221 5093 9888 Ext 985 vanessa@rhbgroup.com

Indonesia Research +6221 5093 9888 rhb.id.research@rhbgroup.com

#### Share Performance (%)

	YTD	1m	3m	6m	12m
Absolute	6.0	(3.1)	2.2	3.3	8.5
Relative	6.1	(1.2)	2.0	2.9	8.7
52-wk Price low/hi	gh (IDR)			2,500 -	- 3,090



Source: Bloomberg

#### Overall ESG Score: 3.0 (out of 4)

#### E: GOOD

AMRT and its subsidiaries concerns over environmental sustainability is manifested via participation in initiatives to create a healthy, waste-free, and environmentally friendly working climate. Actions taken to create an environmentally friendly office culture or green office is seen through the implementation of a zero waste lifestyle vs the 5R policy, ie Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rethink, and Repair.Repair. **S: GOOD** 

AMRT interacts closely with consumers at all levels of society, business people in its supply chain, and local communities in its operational area throughout the course of its business operations. With an intensive interaction, AMRT hopes its presence can continue to sow goodness for the larger community via a variety of CSR initiatives as outlined in its goals and targeted strategies. It believes these programmes can contribute positively to society. society.

#### G: GOOD

Consistent and continuous application of good corporate governance best practices is not only carried out as a form of compliance with prevailing rules and regulations, but with full awareness to ensure all activities are done in a correct and ethical manner, and does not violate the law.

See important disclosures at the end of this report



# **Financial Exhibits**

Indonesia	Initiating	Coverage

# Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

Asia	Financial summary (IDR)	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
Indonesia	Recurring EPS	29.33	50.09	58.35	71.91	89.66
Consumer Non-cyclical	BVPS	222.12	270.24	353.40	416.25	487.24
Sumber Alfaria Trijaya	Return on average equity (%)	23.1	27.9	25.6	25.1	26.2
AMRT IJ						
Buy	Valuation metrics	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
20)	Recurring P/E (x)	95.80	56.10	48.16	39.08	31.34
Valuation basis	P/B (x)	12.7	10.4	8.0	6.8	5.8
	FCF Yield (%)	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.9	3.8
10-year DCF	EV/EBITDA (x)	45.12	30.62	25.67	22.82	18.48
Kana dalama	EV/EBIT (x)	63.12	40.86	34.94	28.66	22.81
Key drivers						
i. Solid market share in the growing mini-market	Income statement (IDRb)	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
business;	Total turnover	84,904	96,925	109,755	124,015	140,155
<ul> <li>ii. Leveraging on its vast nationwide footprint;</li> <li>iii. Ample digitalisation strategies.</li> </ul>	Gross profit	17,575	20,022	23,222	26,363	29,934
in. Ample digitalisation strategies.	EBITDA	2,549	3,734	4,372	4,850	5,872
	Depreciation and amortisation	(727)	(936)	(1,160)	(989)	(1,114)
Key risks	Operating profit	1,822	2,798	3,212	3,861	4,758
i. Softer-than-expected purchasing power;	Net interest	(261)	(145)	(108)	(61)	(22)
ii. Government regulations.	Pre-tax profit Taxation	2,442	3,617	4,217 (843)	5,078 (990)	6,215
	Reported net profit	(478) 1,926	(710) 2,855	(843)	4,015	(1,212) 4,913
	Recurring net profit	1,928	2,035	2,423	2,986	3,723
Company Profile		1,210	2,000	2,423	2,900	3,723
Sumber Alfaria Trijaya operates one the biggest mini-	Cash flow (IDRb)	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
market store chains in Indonesia under several store	Change in working capital	(181)	443	6	787	768
formats	Cash flow from operations	3,344	3,933	4,585	5,541	6,510
	Capex	(1,098)	(1,678)	(2,489)	(2,154)	(2,128)
	Cash flow from investing activities	(1,473)	(2,860)	(2,860)	(2,866)	(2,933)
	Cash flow from financing activities	(2,480)	(524)	349	(1,130)	(1,461)
	Cash at beginning of period	3,878	3,270	3,819	5,892	7,437
	Net change in cash	(608)	549	2,074	1,545	2,115
	Ending balance cash	3,270	3,819	5,892	7,438	9,553
	Balance sheet (IDRb)	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
	Total cash and equivalents	3,270	3,819	5,892	7,437	9,553
	Tangible fixed assets	6,463	7,204	8,533	9,698	10,712
	Total assets	27,370	30,746	35,992	41,137	47,020
	Short-term debt	779	446	418	389	361
	Total long-term debt	607	766	717	668	619
	Total liabilities	17,942	19,276	21,016	23,490	26,353
	Total equity	9,428	11,471	14,976	17,646	20,668
	Total liabilities & equity	27,370	30,746	35,992	41,137	47,020
		,	, -	,		
	Key metrics	Dec-21	Dec-22	Dec-23F	Dec-24F	Dec-25F
	Revenue growth (%)	12.0	14.2	13.2	13.0	13.0
	Recurrent EPS growth (%)	233.6	70.8	16.5	23.2	24.7
	Gross margin (%)	20.7	20.7	21.2	21.3	21.4
	Operating EBITDA margin (%)	3.0	3.9	4.0	3.9	4.2
	Net profit margin (%)	2.3	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.5
	Capex/sales (%)	1.3	1.7	2.3	1.7	1.5
	Interest cover (x)	5.66	15.27	21.92	35.35	53.72

Source: Company data, RHB



## Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

# **Emissions And ESG**

#### Trend analysis

The increase occurred due to mobility restrictions in 2021 and 2020. Nevertheless, the company aims to improve its energy and emissions though the above initiatives

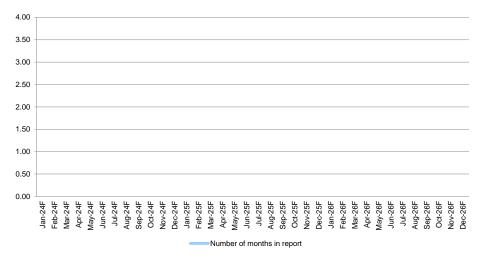
Emissions (tCO2e)	Dec-20	Dec-21	Dec-22	
Scope 1	954,398	1,014,901	1,130,171	
Scope 2	na	na	na	
Scope 3	na	na	na	
Total emissions	954,398	1,014,901	1,130,171	

Source: Company data, RHB

# Latest ESG-Related Developments

By aiming to decrease the number of printed cashier receipts across all stores, it introduced an innovative solution—the Alfagift application. Through Alfagift, all customers shopping with AMRT can now receive digital transaction receipts, reducing the reliance on paper cashier receipts in 2022 as customer transactions increased through the application.

# **ESG** Rating History



Source: RHB



Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

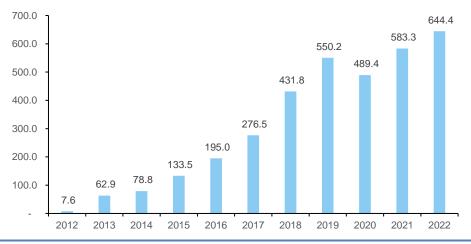
# Leveraging On AMRT's Vast Physical Network

With a track record of more than three decades, AMRT has evolved into one of Indonesia's largest mini-market chains with more than 18,000 mini-market stores nationwide, of which c.23% are franchised. AMRT commands the second-largest retail chain in the country after Indomaret, which has c.21,890 stores as at 1H23. Effectively, this means Indonesia's mini-market industry is a relative duopoly, as the third-largest player, Circle K, only has 382 stores as at Jun 2023.

We believe AMRT's vast physical store network has become the company's leverage in terms of large digital/online players looking for a distribution point proxy. A large portion of AMRT's outlets are located outside Greater Jakarta. This vast presence of physical stores presents an opportunity to the digital/online players looking for direct distribution/access to their respective customers.

Given the population in less-urbanised areas are less likely to have a bank account/credit card, AMRT should see higher demand for its physical distribution network outside the big cities. Its fee-based income stems from electronic financial transactions mainly for non-bankable customers, of which the company provides number of services ranging from gaming voucher to online ticketing. Top transactions are utility payments and motorcycle loan repayments, along with electronic top-up vouchers.

This business has been resilient despite competition from online players. Despite numerous online e-commerce players (ie Tokopedia, Bukalapak (BUKA IJ, BUY, TP: IDR330) and others) as well as e-wallet players like GoPay, OVO, Dana and others largely offering similar services, the company has managed to book a strong performance, and while growth has been normalising compared to pre-pandemic levels over the past three years, AMRT's feebased income still booked a CAGR of 15%, contributing c.17% of its earnings before tax (EBT) in 2022. Going forward, we see large growth potential for its fee-based income as there is still plenty of Indonesians who do not have bank accounts and require a cash deposit network.



### Figure 1: Fee-based income (IDRbn)

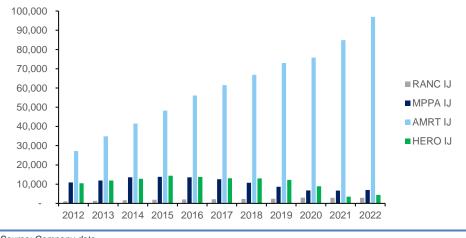
Source: Company data, RHB

Its Alfamart chain offers basic merchandise at convenient locations, serving millions of customers per day. AMRT is now the key FMCG retailer with an annual turnover of more than IDR90trn, substantially bigger than any other grocery retailer such as Matahari Putra Prima (MPPA IJ, NR), Supra Boga Lestari (RANC IJ, NR), and Hero Supermarket (HERO IJ, NR), among others – listed supermarket chains in Indonesia. As mentioned, Alfamart is the second largest mini-market in Indonesia, with a total market share of 27.2% and 34.2% of Indonesia's overall modern trade industry and modern trade for the mini-market segment.



## 20 October 2023

## Figure 2: Listed grocery retailers in Indonesia



Source: Company data

Having its own internal distribution network (44 warehouses nationwide) and a wider presence than FMCG retailers, we believe AMRT has greater bargaining power with suppliers eg Unilever Indonesia (UNVR IJ, NEUTRAL: TP: IDR4,500), Indofood CBP (ICBP IJ, BUY, TP: IDR14,300), Mayora Indah (MYOR IJ, BUY, TP: IDR3,000) etc, as well as other FMCG ie the Savoria Group from Djarum, Cisarua Mountain Dairy (CMRY IJ, NR) and local beauty products players.

Several FMGC players have been aggressively increasing their product portfolio (ie Wings Group) to enhance awareness and proximity to consumers. We believe that having their products in the mini-market, which has a vast presence and is within consumers' reach, will see the FMCGs rapidly gain market share.

We also see other companies benefitting from AMRT's wide presence. For instance, SWAP Energy – Indonesia's first smart battery swapping network for electric motorcycle batteries by exchanging depleted batteries with new ones. We take the view that:

- i. Companies can easily expand their footprint without having the need to build their respective facilities from scratch which may require massive capex;
- ii. Companies can capitalise on AMRT's high number of stores and daily customers as touch points to draw closer to their consumers with a more manageable capex.

### Figure 3: SWAP's cooperation with AMRT



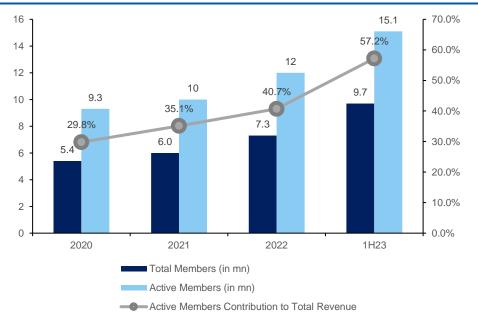
Source: Swap Energy

# **Digitalisation – The Key Focus**

Aside from its growing offline presence, the company also remains focus on strengthening its digital presence. Among its efforts include the Alfagift platform as part of its customer relationship management programme. This initiative is seen to be fruitful as Alfagift members grew substantially over the last few years, resulting in the widening revenue contribution from Alfagift members. Additionally, it has set up a presence across social media, ie TikTok, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube, Line, and Facebook. This should be positive to enhance awareness, especially among the younger generation.

As such, these strategies should help AMRT to stay competitive. According to We Are Social's Digital 2023 report published in January, there are 62.6% of internet users aged 16-64 that purchased products or services online (+3.3% YoY). Furthermore, around 38.1% of that group of people ordered groceries via online stores (+5.8% YoY). The report states that annual spend in e-commerce for products under the groceries category such as personal and household care, food, and beverages reached USD6.59bn (+6.0% YoY), USD5.4bn (+16.6% YoY), and USD1.03bn (+7.3% YoY). We think AMRT can monetise this opportunity as well as mitigating threats from other online players.

### Figure 4: Alfagift member data



- AMRT's online store sells several products that are not available in its physical stores
- AMRT's basket size for online purchases stand at IDR76K, vs IDR50K for offline transactions

Source: Company data, RHB

Furthermore, the company also developed a platform called Alfamart Point of Purchase or better known as AlfaPOP. This is a shopping platform that enables consumers to obtain the products they need without using a mobile phone and/or utilising their mobile data. Now, AlfaPOP kiosk is accessible online at selected Alfamart stores to assist in the purchasing of products not sold at Alfamart stores. The company has equipped this facility through a kiosk machine which facilitates online-to-offline buying and selling for Alfamart customers and retailers.

Figure 5: AlfaPOP – purchases are made through the kiosk at selected stores



Source: Company data, YouTube



### 20 October 2023

#### Figure 6: Among the AlfaPOP products available for purchase online



Source: Company data

Although the impact is still minimal, this should be positive to improve consumer experience going forward, aside from presenting AMRT with another avenue for growth as this may entice other retailers to utilise this platform to extend their reach to AMRT's substantial number of customers. This might be prevalent for retailers that operate in a large store space and sell big ticket items such as electronic products, homeware, among others.

We have also seen AMRT's collaboration with WIR Asia (WIRG IJ, NR) to bolster its digital capabilities. WIRG has placed DAV devices at several AMRT stores. DAV provides media and advertising services through devices distributed in a number of AMRT stores. DAV devices are hardware devices that utilise augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) technologies designed to display interactive advertisements, allowing consumers to interact with various products at thousands of locations while directly benefitting from the offered advertisements or promotions. In addition to displaying advertisements and/or promotions, DAV devices also showcase products from a number of companies, thereby allowing consumers to interact and make direct purchases.

WIRG has seen strong interest from companies given this device enables large brands to reach consumers without requiring them to download additional applications or own a smartphone. Most of the devices will be placed in frequently visited places, of which AMRT stores should become one of, if not, the main choice. This may also present another revenue stream for AMRT.

AMRT is also working with WIRG to establish Alfamind – a virtual retail network that extends its product offering to the public via its online store while enabling merchants to market their products to areas that cannot be reached directly, supported by the deployment of agents acting as owners of these virtual retail stores. In order to build a digital ecosystem, through agent distribution, the company grants access to the public to transact online for products offered by Alfamind. Although AlfaPOP and Alfamind has yet to contribute meaningfully, we believe this will enhance AMRT's customer experience as well as allow the company to monetise the potential in the long term.

# Indonesia Initiating Coverage

Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

## 20 October 2023

### Figure 7: DAV device

### Figure 8: Alfamind



Source: WIRG's prospectus



Source: WIRG's prospectus



# **Monetising The Potential**

Grocery retail sales in Indonesia saw a 9% increase, reaching USD100bn in 2022 according to the US Department of Agriculture's Jul 2023 edition of Indonesia: Retail Foods, thanks to the relaxation of pandemic-related restrictions. This growth in retail sales is a crucial economic indicator. Additionally, Indonesia's economy experienced notable growth of 5.31% in 2022 – the highest since 2013 – marked by the return to normal business operations after the COVID-19 pandemic and a remarkable surge in exports due to heightened global demand for commodities.

Indonesia's grocery retail sector remains highly promising within the Asian markets. Fuelled by a large population, growing middle class, and expanding urbanisation, Indonesia offers ample opportunities across various consumer-oriented product categories. The increase in grocery retail sales can also be attributed to the rising number of middle- to upper-income consumers opting for higher quality and premium goods.

In the contemporary retail sector, smaller formats (ie mini-market, convenience stores) demonstrated robust growth, expanding their presence beyond Java into Sumatra where there are untapped opportunities. Although hypermarkets saw growth in 2022, their sales figures remained below the levels seen before the onset of COVID-19. Notably, in 2022, one of Indonesia's major hypermarkets, Transmart Carrefour, had to shut down 12 outlets due to intense competition among retailers. Additionally, in 2021, another hypermarket chain, Hero Group, closed around 75 stores across Indonesia. This closure was exacerbated by shifting consumer preferences.





Figure 10: Indonesia's modern trade channel growth



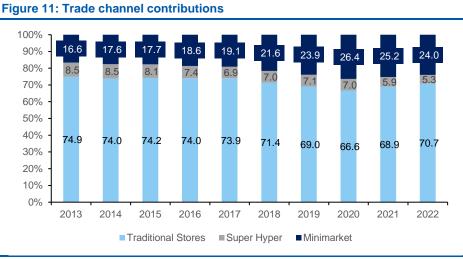
We have observed shifting trends towards frequent shopping at smaller-format retail outlets like mini-markets, convenience stores and supermarkets, primarily due to their proximity to residential areas. This shift in consumer behaviour towards daily or weekly shopping patterns influenced the decline in hypermarket sales. Infrastructure development enhances the growth of rural areas, opening opportunities for small-format retail to enter and monetise the potential arising from increasing purchasing power. This also eliminates the need for people in these small towns to travel long distances to major cities for their day-to-day shopping needs at large retail stores a few times a month, allowing them to maintain their daily necessities stock.

Also, due to a large portion of the Indonesian population working in the informal sector, their wages are irregular and often based on a daily work basis. As a result, they have limited funds for shopping. In this regard, they tend to opt for shopping at nearby places with smaller ticket sizes but at a higher frequency, rather than stock up on items that require a significant amount of funds. In Feb 2023, Statistics Indonesia recorded the number of people working in the informal sector to be around 83m, while those in formal employment were approximately 55m. In proportion, the informal sector workers accounted for 60.12%, while the formal sector constituted 39.88%.

Source: Nielsen, Company data, RHB

Source: Nielsen, Company data, RHB

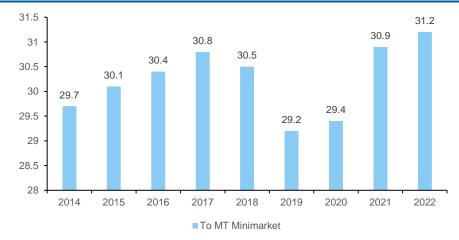
## 20 October 2023



- We expect the modern trade channel to pose stronger growth, translating to greater share given shifting behaviour to adapt with the current lifestyle, especially post pandemic
- Mini-market business should become the key growth driver for the growth of modern trade – its contribution has surged vs pre-pandemic

Source: Nielsen, Company data, RHB



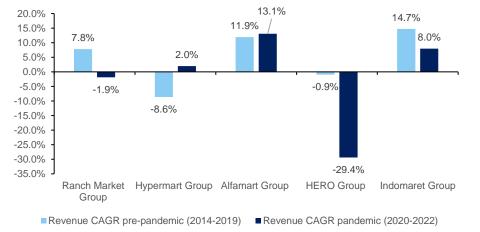


 Alfamart is in a sweet spot to monetise the abovementioned opportunities and continuously gain market share

Source: Nielsen, Company data, RHB

Among grocery retailers, mini-market players were booking strong revenue growth prepandemic and expect them, especially AMRT, to continue the solid growth going forward. We also only note that only mini-market players such as Indomaret and Alfamart have managed to continuously conduct massive store expansions.





- Only mini-market players Alfamart and Indomaret – posted double digit CAGR revenue growth during pre-pandemic
- These two players continued to deliver a strong performance during pandemic period – with Alfamart outperforming Indomaret

Source: Bloomberg, Company data, RHB



# Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

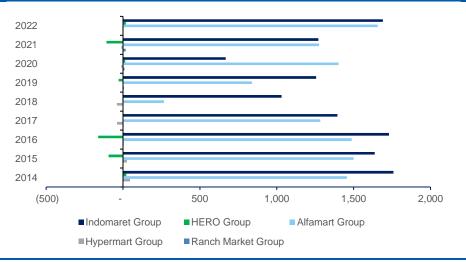




- Only Alfamart and Indomaret has booked positive net margin since 2013
- Alfamart's net margin improved from 1% in 2020 to c.3% in 2022

Source: Bloomberg, Company data, RHB

### Figure 15: Indonesia-listed grocery players' annual store additions



 Only mini-market players, Alfamart and Indomaret, have continued to conduct massive store expansion of over 1,000 new store openings pa

Source: Company data, RHB

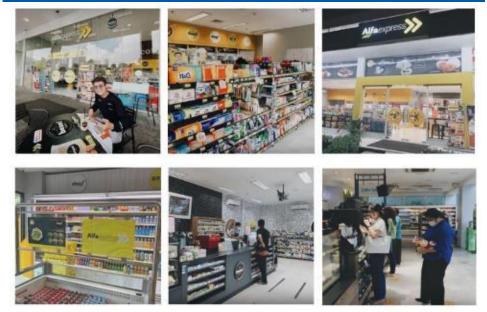


# Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

# A Handful Of Initiatives Are On The Cards

AMRT has also conducted several store development projects to enhance customer experience. It launched Alfaexpress and Alfa X. Compared to Alfamart outlets, Alfaexpress stores are recognised as contemporary convenience stores that offer a sleeker appearance and a range of local delicacies, all delivered with a friendly customer service. These updated Alfaexpress stores are typically not standalone and can be found in bustling centres or specific strategic locations, such as bus stations, rest areas, airports, ports, Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) stations, offices, and hospitals. On the other hand, Alfa X stores are classified as mini-markets and adopt a coworking space concept, primarily situated near university campuses. According to AMRT, these stores embody the concept of "exploring something new, fostering connections, and uniting diverse individuals to collaborate and generate fresh ideas".

### Figure 16: Alfaexpress stores



Source: Various sources, Company data, RHB

#### Figure 17: Alfa X stores



Source: Company data, RHB

Furthermore, the company has introduced Bean Spot cafe within Alfamart stores, aligning with the RRI strategy (ready-to-drink (RTD), ready-to-eat (RTE), and in-house bakery(IHB)). The company continues to expand its RTE and RTD product assortment beyond coffee to other products. This strategic move is designed to cater to the demand of contemporary urban consumers known for their grab-and-go behaviour, seeking fresh and easily accessible food items.



# Indonesia Initiating Coverage

# Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

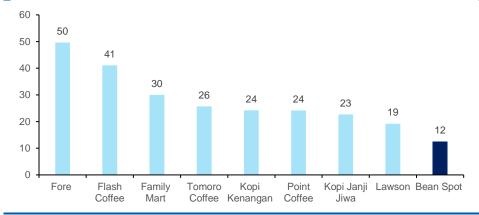
# 20 October 2023

## Figure 18: Bean Spot



Source: Various sources, RHB





 Bean Spot offers coffee beverages with relatively competitive pricing

Source: Various Sources, Company data, RHB

#### Figure 20: Mini-market and convenience store RTE products and price comparison

	Alfamart X	Alfamart	Indomaret	Lawson	Family Mart
Korean street food					
Number of products	0	19	0	37	21
Average price (in IDR'000)	N/A	7.4	0.0	12.1	10.6
Fried chicken					
Number of products	9	11	7	3	15
Average price (in IDR'000)	21.4	16.7	11.2	25.3	14.9
RTE					
Number of products	18	11	25	7	8
Average price (in IDR'000)	14.3	6.0	28.8	27.1	12.1
Bakery					
Number of products	0	18	27	0	15
Average price (in IDR'000)	N/A	8.8	11.7	0.0	10.0
Dim sum					
Number of products	0	9	5	1	11
Average price (in IDR'000)	N/A	7.8	9.0	13.0	5.8
Sausage (single)					
Number of products	0	3	2	0	1
Average price (in IDR'000)	N/A	9.8	12.0	0.0	7.5
Onigiri					
Number of products	0	4	10	5	3
Average price (in IDR'000)	N/Ă	9.0	13.0	17.8	11.2
Average price (in IDR'000)	N/A	9.0	13.0	17.8	11.2

Source: Various sources, RHB

Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

On top of that, the company also runs a wholesaler distribution, mainly to *warung* owners under STL. Since Feb 2022, STL has been selling wholesale goods through the Aksesmu application. It has currently 61k members as of 2022 with 340 store points. Although revenue contribution remains minimal at c.4%, we deem this initiative as helping to widen AMRT's grip, especially to traditional stores, as well as fend off competition. We note that a number of technology and start-up companies tried to initiate the *warung* concept but to date, only Bukalapak has managed to survive.

### Figure 21: Aksesmu app



Source: Google Play, Company data, RHB

The company also runs a logistics company under Alfatrex. Despite the impact to earnings is still minimal and AMRT has yet to further enhance this platform, it could bring potential opportunity in the future and pave the way to monetise its vast distribution network. The company also sells a number of private brands which fetch a higher margin. Contribution to revenue remains minimal, but we see ample growth potential.

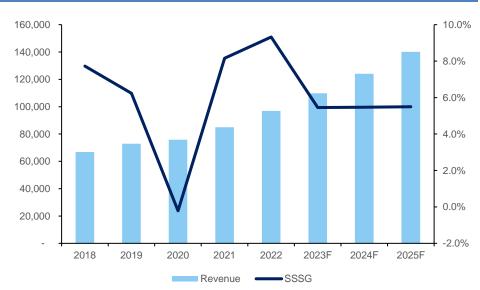


# **Financial Outlook**

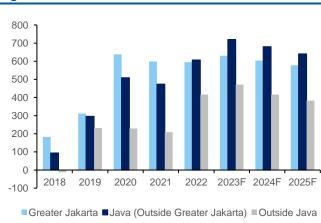
Going forward, we expect the company to book c.13% CAGR revenue for 2023F-2025F. This is driven from c.5-6% SSSG and 1,600-1,800 store openings for 2023F-2025F. We expect new stores from the franchise scheme to remain stable, at around 23% of total number of AMRT's stores. SSSG for stores ex-Java should remain the highest at c.7% whilst stores in Greater Jakarta ought to post the softest SSSG ahead, at around 3-4%, given already intense competition and abundant Alfamart stores. With an increasing number of store openings located outside Greater Jakarta, we think this is where the company's focus will be.

There has been recent news of AMRT stating its intention to expand its business to the new capital city (IKN), seen through the signing of a MoU between it and Bina Karya – IKN Authority's business entity. In the MoU, AMRT will engage in several forms of investment and partnership in IKN. One of them is the construction, operation, and commercialisation of a central distribution warehouse for goods to stores. We believe this will give it an upper hand to widen its presence in ex-Java areas. Note that the company plans to build three new distribution centres, two of which are located in Java and the other in Sulawesi.

#### Figure 22: AMRT's SSSG and revenue (IDRbn)



Source: Company data, RHB



### Figure 23: New store additions

### Figure 24: Revenue contribution by location



Source: Company data, RHB

Source: Company data, RHB



# Sumber Alfaria Trijaya

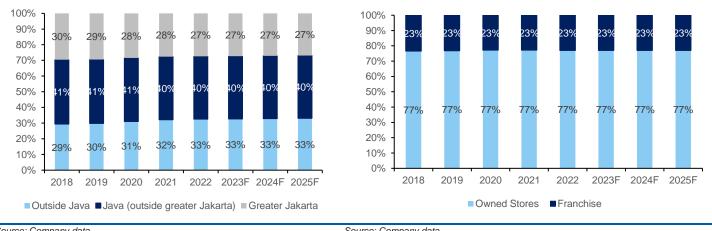
# Indonesia Initiating Coverage

Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

# 20 October 2023

# Figure 25: Store geographical breakdown

Figure 26: Company owned vs franchise stores



Source: Company data



Additionally, we believe AMRT remains focused on strengthening its digital presence, which includes the Alfagift platform. With the large contribution from active members, this should provide AMRT with an ample database, allowing it to conduct in-depth analysis to better understand its customer behaviour. This in turn will enable it to implement better marketing and promotional as well as merchandising strategies to entice higher footfall. The company has also set up its presence across a number of social media platforms which, in our view, will enhance awareness especially among the younger generation and provide another avenue of growth.

Similar to retailers under our coverage, AMRT should enjoy a brighter 4Q23 on end-ofseason promotions and year-end festivities. We note that with 21,383 stores, AMRT's 1H23 revenue was IDR53.8tm vs Indomaret's 21,890 stores with a revenue of IDR52.7tm. AMRT should also be able to monetise some of the windfall from the election campaign slated to begin this quarter. Tailwinds are likely in the form of higher cash distribution, translating to increased purchases of FMCG products. We think AMRT will be the preferred place to make the purchases given its vast presence, targeting across all consumer segments and offering an array of products and services.

Looking ahead, we expect AMRT's gross margin to remain sturdy at around 21-22% in 2023F-2025F. Given its undisputable dominance among FMCG mini-market retailers, we believe the company will be able to pass on any price increase from consumer companies. Despite consumer companies taking breather in increasing prices in 2023, AMRT was able to raise ASPs by around 3-4% in that same period, suggesting its stronger bargaining power vs FMCG producers. The company has also started to sell RTE and RTD products, which we think will provide greater value to entice traffic and widen its margin as well. Additionally, the company has been more resilient despite macroeconomic challenges as it caters across a wider range of consumer segments and sees less competition from e-commerce players.

The solid gross margin, digital strategies and analytics tools as well as operational efficiencies should support its net margin to remain sturdy at 3-4%. The company has conducted a number of efficient management strategies, which include:

- i. Managing salary expenses, which remain the highest portion of operating expenses;
- Reviewing the number of employees for each store without compromising its service quality. It may start implementing this initiative in Greater Jakarta and gradually apply it to other areas;
- iii. Implementing mobile support for its staff to improve the work quality.

On top of that, we expect fee based income (mainly from electronic transactions) to also support its earnings, growing by 16-18% pa and resulting in 17-18% contribution to earnings before tax in 2023F-2025F. Going forward, we see large growth potential for its fee-based income as Indonesia's unbanked population requiring a cash deposit network remains large.



# Sumber Alfaria Trijaya

# Indonesia Initiating Coverage

4.0%

3.5%

3.0%

2.5%

2.0%

1.5%

1.0%

0.5%

0.0%

Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

# 20 October 2023

# Figure 27: AMRT's gross profit and margin



Source: Company data, RHB

2018

2019

2020

BIT (in IDR bn)

2021

2022

2023F 2024F 2025F

EBIT Margin

5,000

4,500

4,000

3,500

3,000

2,500

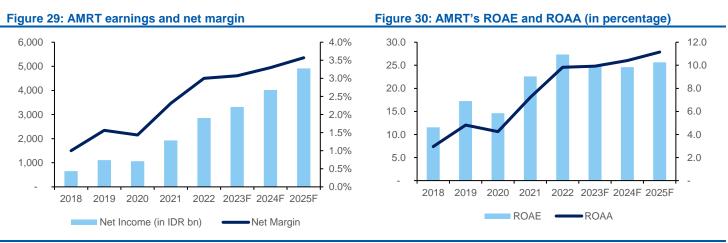
2,000

1,500

1,000

500

Figure 28: AMRT's EBIT and EBIT margin



Source: Company data, RHB

Source: Company data, RHB

Source: Company data, RHB

We believe AMRT will record a healthy balance sheet profile moving forward, and continue to be in a net cash position. Note: The company distributed c.30% of 2022's net income as dividends. We see AMRT continuing to distribute dividends given its ample liquidity and expect it to maintain its high return on average equity (ROAE) profile.



# Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

# Valuation

Initiating coverage with a BUY and IDR3,500 TP, 25% upside. Our TP is based on a 10year DCF with a 10.6% WACC and 4% terminal growth. The company is trading at a c.29-30x 2024F P/E. This is still lower than regional peers at c.32-33x, but higher than local retailers. We deem the premium valuation as justified, given AMRT's superior growth profile. We expect it to book a c.22% earnings CAGR from 2023F-2025F vs average local retailers at 15% during the same period. The company is currently trading at around its 5-year mean. Key risks: Softer-than-expected purchasing power, and government regulations that may impede growth.

### Figure 31: DCF valuation

IDRbn	2024F	2025F	2026F	2027F	2028F	2029F	2030F	2031F	2032F	2033F	2034F
EBIT + recurring income	5,101	6,196	7,316	8,537	9,839	11,225	12,728	14,330	16,018	17,886	19,946
EBIT (1-t)	4,106	4,988	5,890	6,873	7,920	9,036	10,246	11,536	12,895	14,398	16,056
Depreciation & Amortization	989	1,114	1,236	1,267	1,379	1,343	1,355	1,434	1,443	1,452	1,462
Change in working capital	493	443	395	498	486	500	538	550	583	632	678
Capex	(2,154)	(2,128)	(2,095)	(2,053)	(2,002)	(1,940)	(1,867)	(1,783)	(1,872)	(1,965)	(2,064)
Net free cash flow to firm	3,434	4,417	5,426	6,584	7,784	8,938	10,271	11,737	13,049	14,516	16,132
Terminal Value											235,805
PV	3,434	3,990	4,429	4,855	5,186	5,380	5,585	5,766	5,791	5,821	91,264
Total discounted firm value	141,501										
Less: net debt	(4,527)										
Less: minority interest	362										
Equity value	145,666										
Number of shares (bn)	41.5										
Equity value per share (IDR)	3,508										
ESG Premium (Discount)	0%										
Target Price	3,508										
Assumptions											
Risk free rate	7%										
Beta	0.7										
Equity market premium	6%										
WACC	10.7%										
Terminal growth	4%										

Source: Company data, RHB

### Figure 32: Indonesia retailers' valuations

Company Bloomberg Price Larget		Market cap	F/E (X)		EPS growth (%)		P/BV (x)		Dividend yield(%)		ROAE (%)		Rec		
	Ticker	(IDR)	(IDR)	(IDRbn)	FY23F	FY24F	FY23F	FY24F	FY23F	FY24F	FY23F	FY24F	FY23F	FY24F	
Mitra Adiperkasa	MAPI IJ	1,825	2,500	30,295	12.8	10.8	12.4	18.6	3.4	2.7	1.0	1.6	30.1	28.0	Buy
Ace Hardware	ACES IJ	735	650	12,605	19.7	17.2	(3.5)	14.4	2.0	1.9	2.6	2.5	10.5	11.4	Neutral
Erajaya Swasembada	ERAA IJ	480	620	7,656	7.5	5.4	0.3	38.8	1.0	0.9	3.9	2.7	14.3	17.5	Buy
Matahari Department Store	LPPF IJ	2,460	3,500	5,560	5.9	4.7	(32.2)	26.2	7.0	5.1	21.3	16.0	102.4	126.1	Neutral
Ramayana Lestari	RALS IJ	560	630	3,974	11.1	10.1	10.8	10.3	0.8	0.8	4.3	4.7	8.0	8.4	Neutral
Weighted average					12.8	10.8			3.0	2.4					

Source: Bloomberg, Company data, RHB



# Indonesia Initiating Coverage

## 20 October 2023

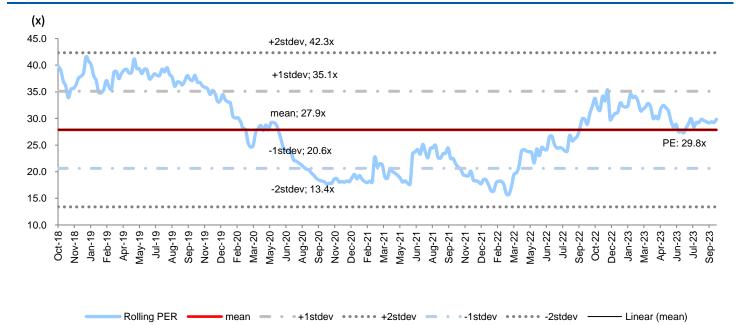
# Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

#### Figure 33: Regional peer comparison

Company	Bloomberg			Target	Market rget cap							(x)	EPS growth (%)		P/B	BV (x) Div yie		ld (%)	RO	Ξ (%)
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Ticker	,	Price	<b>.</b>	(USDm)	FY23F	FY24F	FY23F	FY24F	FY23F	FY24F	FY23F	FY24F	FY23F	FY24F					
SEVEN & I HOLDIN	3382 JP	JPY	5,854	N/A	34,646	19.6	16.1	(6.1)	21.7	1.5	1.4	2.0	2.2	7.5	9.0					
AEON CO LTD	8267 JP	JPY	2,961	N/A	17,237	89.7	72.7	31.5	23.3	2.6	2.6	1.2	1.2	2.8	3.9					
LAWSON INC	2651 JP	JPY	6,884	N/A	4,610	19.2	17.8	(1.9)	7.4	2.4	2.2	2.9	3.2	12.5	12.8					
YONGHUI SUPERS-A	601933 CH	CNY	3	N/A	3,992	107.0	54.4	110.0	96.7	3.8	3.6	0.2	0.8	1.7	6.0					
SUN ART RETAIL	6808 HK	HKD	2	N/A	2,022	44.2	20.9	250.0	111.4	0.6	0.6	1.4	2.3	1.5	3.3					
BGF RETAIL CO LT	282330 KS	KRW	141,000	N/A	1,803	11.5	10.1	6.9	13.9	2.2	1.9	3.1	3.3	20.7	20.7					
E-MART INC	139480 KS	KRW	70,400	N/A	1,452	26.3	8.0	(92.8)	229.2	0.2	0.2	2.9	3.1	0.7	1.9					
ROBINSONS RETAIL	RRHI PM	PHP	47	N/A	1,218	12.5	10.5	(2.4)	18.7	0.9	0.9	4.0	4.0	7.2	8.0					
LIFE CORP	8194 JP	JPY	3,650	N/A	1,205	12.2	11.1	4.9	10.5	1.3	1.2	2.2	2.5	10.9	11.0					
Weighted average						42.8	32.4			1.9	1.9									

Source: Bloomberg, RHB

#### Figure 34: AMRT's 5-year P/E band



Source: Bloomberg, Company data, RHB

#### Figure 35: RHB vs consensus estimates

IDRbn		RHB		C	Consensus		RHB/Cons (%)			
	2023F	2024F	2025F	2023F	2024F	2025F	2023F	2024F	2025F	
Net revenue	109,755	124,015	140,155	109,969	124,523	135,892	100%	100%	103%	
Gross profit	23,222	26,363	29,934	23,228	26,762	29,224	100%	99%	102%	
EBITDA	4,372	4,850	5,872	4,963	7,173	7,979	88%	68%	74%	
EBIT	3,212	3,861	4,758	4,271	5,433	5,537	75%	71%	86%	
Profit before tax	4,217	5,078	6,215	4,582	5,758	6,478	92%	88%	96%	
NPAT	3,313	4,015	4,913	3,617	4,546	5,102	92%	88%	96%	

Source: Bloomberg, Company data, RHB



# **Company Profile**

Alfamart is the second-largest mini-market in Indonesia with a total modern trade minimarket market share of approximately 34% as of Jun 2023. AMRT has four major store formats, which are: Alfamart, Alfa Midi, Lawson, and Dan+Dan. It has 21,383 stores across Indonesia (Greater Jakarta: 27.4%; Java: 40.1%; Outer Islands: 32.5%). As of Jun 2023, the company managed 44 warehouses,12 depos, 16 store hubs nationwide.

### Figure 36: Company's milestones

	Description
1989	Standing as a diversified trading company of various products, it was founded by Djoko Susanto and his family, who later sold the majority of their ownership to PT HM Sampoerna Tbk. in Dec 1989
2002	Acquired 141 Alfa minimart outlets and were renamed Alfamart
	- IPO on the Indonesia Stock Exchange
2000	- Entered the Bali market
2009	- Started using conveyor belts
	- Over 3,300 outlets were operational
	- Limited Public Offering without Pre-emptive Rights
012	- Establishment of a subsidiary of PT Sumber Indah Lestari engaging in retail cosmetics trading
012	- Entered the Medan market
	- Over 7,000 outlets were operational
	- Additional acquisition of shares in Midi Utama Indonesia
	- Change of the nominal value of shares from IDR100 per share to IDR10 per share
013	- Establishment of a subsidiary named Alfamart Retail Asia Pte Ltd (100% ownership)
	- Entry into the markets of Jambi, Pekanbaru, and Banjarmasin
	- Over 8,500 outlets were operational
	- Through its subsidiary, Alfamart Retail Asia Pte Ltd, the company established Alfamart Trading Philippines Inc based in the Philippines
	- Entered the Philippine market
	- Offered the first phase of Alfaria Trijaya's continuous bond offering
2014	- Conducted a Limited Public Offering without Pre-emptive Rights
	- Acquired additional shares in Midi Utama Indonesia, resulting in a total ownership of 86.72%
	- Entered the markets of Pontianak and Manado
	- Over 9,800 outlets were operational
	- Establishment of Sumber Trijaya Lestari
0015	- Conducted a Limited Public Offering without Pre-emptive Rights
2015	- Continued the continuous bond offering of Alfaria Trijaya, Phase II
	- Entered the Batam market - Over 11,000 outlets were operational
	- Over 12,000 outlets were operational
2016	- Launched AlfaMind, the first virtual store in Indonesia featuring Augmented Reality technology
	- Phase I of Alfaria Trijaya's Continuous Bond Offering II in 2017
2017	- Over 13,500 outlets were operational
	- Phase II of Alfaria Trijaya's Continuous Bond Offering II in 2018
2018	- Over 13,600 outlets were operational
2010	- 500 outlets were operational in the Philippines
	- Over 14.300 outlets were operational
	- Launched Alfagift – an application that allows users to stay up-to-date with promotions and access special offers exclusive to the app
2019	- Acquired 75% ownership of PT Global Loyalty Indonesia
	- Over 750 outlets were operational in the Philippines, with a total of three warehouses
	- Over 15,400 outlets were operational
2020	- There were more than 1,000 operational outlets in the Philippines, with a total of three warehouses
	Increased capital injection into Midi Utama Indonesia, resulting in ownership reaching 89.43%
	- 16,492 outlets were operational
2021	- Entered the Papua market by opening 22 outlets
	- 1,945 SAPA (ready to deliver your orders) stores
	- Over 1,200 outlets were operational in the Philippines
	- Alfamart and WIR Group signed a MoU to enter the Metaverse – the future of shopping
2022	- Alfamart received Indonesia Top Brand Collab Champions Award as well as The Best Brand Champion for Channel Collaboration from
	Indonesia Brand Forum

Source: Company data



## 20 October 2023

Name	Position	Description
Feny Djoko Susanto	President Commissioner	Feny began her career as the President Director of Alfa Mitramart Utama from 1999 to 2002. She then served as the President Director of the company from 2002 to 2014 before assuming the position of President Commissioner.
Budiyanto Djoko Susanto	Commissioner	Budiyanto began his career as an analyst at Northstar Pacific from 2007 to 2009. He then served as a Commissioner of the company from 2010 to 2012 and as the President Commissioner from 2012 to 2014.
Imam Santoso Hadiwidjaja	Independent Commissioner	He began his career as the General Affair Manager of Bentoel from 1976 to 1996 and served as the Acting Rector at the Yayasan Pendidikan Universitas Bunda Mulia Jakarta from 1996 to 2008. He has held positions of Independent Commissioner and Chairman of the company's Audit Committee from 2008 to 2011 and from 2011 to 2014.
Setyo Wasisto	Independent Commissioner	Setyo held several strategic positions in the Indonesian National Police. He served as the Director of Intelligence and Security of the Jakarta Metropolitan Police (Polda Metro Jaya) in 2008, then held the position of Head of Public Relations Division of the Indonesian National Police (Kadivhumas Polri) in 2017, and served as the Inspector General at the Ministry of Industry in 2018. Additionally, he was assigned to international postings in countries such as Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, and Saudi Arabia.
Budi Setiyadi	Independent Commissioner	Budi started his career as the Head of the Traffic Division at Bojonegoro Regional Police, East Java, in 1995. He then served as the Head of the Rapid Reaction Force Unit at the Traffic Directorate of South Sumatra Regional Police in 2000. He also held the position of the Head of the Ogan Komering Ulu District Police, South Sumatra, in 2003. Later on, he served as the Director of Traffic at the South Sulawesi Regional Police in 2009 and assumed the role of the Director-General of Land Transportation at the Ministry of Transportation in 2017.

Source: Company data



# Sumber Alfaria Trijaya

# Indonesia Initiating Coverage

## 20 October 2023

# Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

Name	Position	Description	
Anggara Hans Prawira	President Director	Anggara began his career as a consultant at Prasetio Utomo & Co, Arthur Andersen, Jakarta from 1994 to 2000. He served a the Finance Director of Alfa Mitramart Utama from 2001 to 2002	
Bambang Setyawan Djojo	Director	Bambang started as a supervisor at HM Sampoerna from 198 1992. Later, he held the position of Management Informa Systems manager at Perusahaan Dagang Dan Industri Panar from 1992 to 2000. He became the Director of Informa Technology at Alfa Mitramart Utama from 2000 to 2002.	
Soeng Peter Suryadi	Director	His career began as an assistant advertising manager at Her Group from 1986 to 1987. He then worked as a sales superviso at Astra International (Honda Sales Operation) from 1987 to 1990 He managed PT Federal International Finance from 1990 to 1993 and served as the Assistant Vice President of Bank Universa from 1994 to 2000. Subsequently, he held the position of Genera Manager at Astra International from 2002 to 2005. He also worke as a mortgage advisor at The Loan Market in Perth, Australia from 2005 to 2007.	
Harryanto Susanto	Director	He started his career as a Director at Primus Pratama from 2011 to 2011 and served as the Chief Operating Officer at Sury Mustika Nusantara from 2011 to 2013.	
Tomin Widian	Director	He began his career as a consultant/auditor at Ernst Young/Prasetio Utomo & Co Arthur Andersen from 1991 to 2007 He then assumed the role of Vice President of Finance an Accounting at Smart from 2007 to 2013.	
Solihin	Director	He started his career in marketing at Modern Foto Co Film fror 1979 to 1985 and later worked as a sales supervisor at Kop Gelatik from 1986 to 1988. He then became the franchis manager at Indomarco Adi Prima/Indomarco Prismatama.	



# ESG

# Environment

The operational consequences on the environment are inevitable. As such, the company strives to effectively manage these environmental repercussions across all business sectors. AMRT guarantees that its day-to-day operations and supply chain are conducted in a manner that prevents pollution of the surrounding environment. Environmental concerns remain a highly debated topic on a global scale. The company actively demonstrates its commitment to environmental sustainability by promoting a healthy, waste-free, and eco-friendly work environment. This dedication is reflected in the establishment of an environmentally conscious office culture (green office), which follows a zero-waste lifestyle through the 5R policy: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rethink, and Repair.

For a significant duration, the company has been actively engaging in green office initiatives, utilising them as a method to recognise and address climate change risks. This stands as a testament to the company's dedication to progress and collaboration with the community. Moreover, this initiative showcases the proactive involvement of the company in assisting the Government in raising awareness about the significance of environmental preservation. AMRT has always been committed to continuing to try to reduce and control greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions generated from daily activities by building a work culture that is energy efficient and environmentally friendly. The company also instils this awareness in all employees, as well as partners and customers.

## Figure 39: AMRT's energy and emissions data

	Unit	2022	2021	2020
Electricity (Indirect Emissions, Scope 2)	tonnes	1,124.450	1,009,623	948,984
Fuels (Direct Emissions, Scope 1)	tonnes	5,720	5,278	5,414
Total tCO2e GHF Emissions	tonnes	1,130,171	1,014,901	954.398

 The increase occurred due to mobility restrictions in 2021 and 2020. Nevertheless, the company aims to improve its energy and emissions though the above initiatives

Source: Company data, RHB

To transform the traditional paper-dependent practices of employees, AMRT has been progressively implementing a transition to paperless offices. This initiative emphasises digitising correspondence and document archives, significantly minimising the necessity for printing physical documents. Apart from the positive environmental impact, this transition also proves advantageous for the companies, as it lowers paper procurement costs, easing the burden on office budgets.

Simultaneously, aiming to decrease the number of printed cashier receipts across all stores, it introduced an innovative solution—the Alfagift application. Through Alfagift, all customers shopping with AMRT can now receive digital transaction receipts, reducing the reliance on paper cashier receipts in 2022 as customer transactions increased through the application. Also, in addressing the challenge of limited water resources resulting from escalating consumption, the company and its subsidiaries encourage all employees to utilise water as prudently and effectively as feasible throughout their daily routines. AMRT's genuine commitment to water conservation is evident in its initiatives to maximise the use of wastewater for non-hygienic purposes.

In its capacity as a retail enterprise, the company and its subsidiaries are responsible not only for carbon emissions into the atmosphere but also for generating both hazardous and toxic material (B3) and non-B3 waste. Inadequate management of these waste types pose a potential threat to the environment. To showcase its dedication to responsible business operations, AMRT has adopted waste management practices cantered around the principles of the 5R policy. Additionally, it collaborates with authorised third-party entities for the proper management of solid and liquid waste produced.

### Social

### **Community empowerment**

Throughout their trajectory, the company engages closely with consumers from diverse societal strata, business partners within its supply chain, and the local communities in the operational regions. This deep engagement allows the company to aspire that its presence will consistently yield beneficial outcomes for the broader community through an array of corporate social responsibility (CSR) endeavours, in line with its specified objectives and targeted strategies. AMRT believes that these initiatives can bring about positive contributions to society. All the CSR initiatives undertaken embodies the ethos of its



Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

personnel, consistently striving to deliver optimal performance in all endeavours. AMRT is steadfast in the belief that the CSR programmes and engagements are pivotal for the sustainability of its business, fostering an enhanced public image and delivering additional value to stakeholders.

### **Employment practices**

It has commitment to valuing diversity, encompassing various distinctions among employees. It has unwavering commitment to fostering equality, diversity, and inclusivity within the workplace, which is ingrained from the initial hiring stages, extending an open invitation to all individuals to join and become part of the company and its subsidiaries, provided they meet the specified criteria and qualifications.

In its human resources management, it consistently ensures equal opportunities for all employees, irrespective of their ethnicity, race, religion, gender, educational background, or cultural origins. The efforts are cantered on cultivating a supportive work environment that prioritises respect for human rights, where every individual is entitled to fair treatment and an even-handed opportunity. Consequently, AMRT vehemently denounces any discriminatory practices in its human resource management.

In upholding responsible labour practices that are free from child labour, the company and its subsidiaries verify that all employees are of legal working age. The commitment to this extends beyond the workplace, as it advocates for all partners within the supply chain to share the same dedication and commitment in eliminating child labour entirely.

Also, the aspect of occupational health and safety is a significant factor that directly influences the company's productivity and profitability. As such, AMRT remains steadfast in its commitment to consistently establish a safe and respectable work environment for all employees.

### Responsibility to customers

As a retail company with an extensive network of stores across Indonesia, AMRT firmly believe that the welcoming role extended to customers and local residents holds paramount significance in ensuring sustained business operations. As such, it persistently conducts business activities aligned with customer expectations, aiming to deliver uniform service quality to all stakeholders, irrespective of social status, ethnicity, religion, or any factors that could result in discrimination.

Moreover, it guarantees that every stakeholder has equitable access to comprehensive information about the products and/or services offered. AMRT is committed to providing transparent product and/or service information through the website and various social media platforms. Additionally, it has established a formal channel for complaints, open to all customers seeking to offer suggestions and feedback on its services, thereby contributing to future enhancements in service quality.

### Governance

The integration of good corporate governance (GCG) principles has become a fundamental pillar that has fortified the company in navigating various business challenges encountered by the retail industry, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. By steadfastly incorporating GCG principles into every business operation, the company sustains a competitive edge and showcases resilience in adapting to alterations in the business landscape (adaptability) amidst escalating competition in the retail sector.

To ensure the effective continuation of the GCG implementation, the company's Board of Directors and Board of Commissioners, along with supporting units, actively foster an ethical work culture. This cultivates a strong passion and determination among all Alfamart employees to shape Alfamart into a progressive modern retail company, fostering rapid growth and strong culture as well as delivering a positive impact to stakeholders.

The unwavering and ongoing practice of GCG best standards is not solely a matter of complying with existing rules and regulations. Instead, it is a conscientious effort to guarantee that all business endeavours are conducted correctly and ethically, with a commitment to legal adherence, all in the pursuit of achieving the company's objectives.

In accordance with the Law No. 40 of 2007 regarding Limited Liability Companies and The Company's Articles of Association, the corporate governance framework encompasses the General Meeting of Shareholders (GMS), the Board of Commissioners, and the Board of



Consumer Non-cyclical | Retail - Staples

Directors. These three primary bodies, in discharging their duties and responsibilities, are aided by subordinate units operating under them, which include Committees at the Board of Commissioners level, Work Units at the Board of Directors level, Corporate Secretary, and the Internal Audit Unit. (GRI 102-18).

Beyond emphasising the sufficiency of the governance framework, the company also guarantees the existence of internal protocols and policies tailored to its requirements and circumstances, promoting responsible and accountable business management practices. These written guidelines, distinctly defining the organisational interconnections within the company, are pivotal. AMRT firmly believes that such adherence to the GCG implementation ensures ongoing and consistent execution, generating enhanced value for its shareholders and other stakeholders.

# **Recommendation Chart**



Date	Recommendation	Target Price	Price
2019-11-27	Buy	1,100	870
2019-09-04	Buy	1,200	890
2019-07-23	Buy	1,200	930
2019-05-08	Neutral	1,000	985
2018-11-09	Buy	1,000	770

Source: RHB, Bloomberg



#### **RHB Guide to Investment Ratings**

Buy:	Share price may exceed 10% over the next 12 months
Trading Buy:	Share price may exceed 15% over the next 3 months, however longer-
	term outlook remains uncertain
Neutral:	Share price may fall within the range of +/- 10% over the next
	12 months
Take Profit:	Target price has been attained. Look to accumulate at lower levels
Sell:	Share price may fall by more than 10% over the next 12 months
Not Rated:	Stock is not within regular research coverage

#### **Investment Research Disclaimers**

RHB has issued this report for information purposes only. This report is intended for circulation amongst RHB and its affiliates' clients generally or such persons as may be deemed eligible by RHB to receive this report and does not have regard to the specific investment objectives, financial situation and the particular needs of any specific person who may receive this report. This report is not intended, and should not under any circumstances be construed as, an offer or a solicitation of an offer to buy or sell the securities referred to herein or any related financial instruments.

This report may further consist of, whether in whole or in part, summaries, research, compilations, extracts or analysis that has been prepared by RHB's strategic, joint venture and/or business partners. No representation or warranty (express or implied) is given as to the accuracy or completeness of such information and accordingly investors should make their own informed decisions before relying on the same.

This report is not directed to, or intended for distribution to or use by, any person or entity who is a citizen or resident of or located in any locality, state, country or other jurisdiction where such distribution, publication, availability or use would be contrary to the applicable laws or regulations. By accepting this report, the recipient hereof (i) represents and warrants that it is lawfully able to receive this document under the laws and regulations of the jurisdiction in which it is located or other applicable laws and (ii) acknowledges and agrees to be bound by the limitations contained herein. Any failure to comply with these limitations may constitute a violation of applicable laws.

All the information contained herein is based upon publicly available information and has been obtained from sources that RHB believes to be reliable and correct at the time of issue of this report. However, such sources have not been independently verified by RHB and/or its affiliates and this report does not purport to contain all information that a prospective investor may require. The opinions expressed herein are RHB's present opinions only and are subject to change without prior notice. RHB is not under any obligation to update or keep current the information and opinions expressed herein or to provide the recipient with access to any additional information. Consequently, RHB does not guarantee, represent or warrant, expressly or impliedly, as to the adequacy, accuracy, reliability, fairness or completeness of the information and opinion contained in this report. Neither RHB (including its officers, directors, associates, connected parties, and/or employees) nor does any of its agents accept any liability for any direct, indirect or consequential losses, loss of profits and/or damages that may arise from the use or reliance of this research report and/or further communications given in relation to this report. Any such responsibility or liability is hereby expressly disclaimed.

Whilst every effort is made to ensure that statement of facts made in this report are accurate, all estimates, projections, forecasts, expressions of opinion and other subjective judgments contained in this report are based on assumptions considered to be reasonable and must not be construed as a representation that the matters referred to therein will occur. Different assumptions by RHB or any other source may yield substantially different results and recommendations contained on one type of research product may differ from recommendations contained in other types of research. The performance of currencies may affect the value of, or income from, the securities or any other financial instruments referenced in this report. Holders of depositary receipts backed by the securities discussed in this report assume currency risk. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Income from investments may fluctuate. The price or value of the investments to which this report relates, either directly or indirectly, may fall or rise against the interest of investors.

This report may contain comments, estimates, projections, forecasts and expressions of opinion relating to macroeconomic research published by RHB economists of which should not be considered as investment ratings/advice and/or a recommendation by such economists on any securities discussed in this report.

This report does not purport to be comprehensive or to contain all the information that a prospective investor may need in order to make an investment decision. The recipient of this report is making its own independent assessment and decisions regarding any securities or financial instruments referenced herein. Any investment discussed or recommended in this report may be unsuitable for an investor depending on the investor's specific investment objectives and financial position. The material in this report is general information intended for recipients who understand the risks of investing in financial instruments. This report does not take into account whether an investment or course of action and any associated risks are suitable for the recipient. Any recommendations contained in this report must therefore not be relied upon as investment advice based on the recipient's personal circumstances. Investors should make their own independent evaluation of the information contained herein, consider their own financial business, legal, tax and other advice regarding the appropriateness of investing in any securities or the investment strategies discussed or recommended in this report.

This report may contain forward-looking statements which are often but not always identified by the use of words such as "believe", "estimate", "intend" and "expect" and statements that an event or result "may", "will" or "might" occur or be achieved and other similar expressions. Such forward-looking statements are based on assumptions made and information currently available to RHB and are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievement to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievement, expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Caution should be taken with respect to such statements and recipients of this report should not place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or circumstances after the date of this publication or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

The use of any website to access this report electronically is done at the recipient's own risk, and it is the recipient's sole responsibility to take precautions to ensure that it is free from viruses or other items of a destructive nature. This report may also provide the addresses of, or contain hyperlinks to, websites. RHB takes no responsibility for the content contained therein. Such addresses or hyperlinks (including addresses or hyperlinks to RHB own website material) are provided solely for the recipient's convenience. The information and the content of the linked site do not in any way form part of this report. Accessing such website or following such link through the report or RHB website shall be at the recipient's own risk.

This report may contain information obtained from third parties. Third party content providers do not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, timeliness or availability of any information and are not responsible for any errors or omissions (negligent or otherwise), regardless of the cause, or for the results obtained from the use of such content. Third party content providers give no express or implied warranties, including, but not limited to, any warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose or use. Third party content providers shall not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, exemplary, compensatory, punitive, special or consequential damages, costs, expenses, legal fees, or losses (including lost income or profits and opportunity costs) in connection with any use of their content.

The research analysts responsible for the production of this report hereby certifies that the views expressed herein accurately and exclusively reflect his or her personal views and opinions about any and all of the issuers or securities analysed in this report and were prepared independently and autonomously. The research analysts that authored this report are precluded by RHB in all circumstances from trading in the securities or other financial instruments referenced in the report, or from having an interest in the company(ies) that they cover.

The contents of this report is strictly confidential and may not be copied, reproduced, published, distributed, transmitted or passed, in whole or in part, to any other person without the prior express written consent of RHB and/or its affiliates. This report has been delivered to RHB and its affiliates' clients for information purposes only and upon the express understanding that such parties will use it only for the purposes set forth above. By electing to view or accepting a copy of this report, the recipients have agreed that they will not print, copy, videotape, record, hyperlink, download, or otherwise attempt to reproduce or re-transmit (in any form including hard copy or electronic distribution format) the contents of this report. RHB and/or its affiliates accepts no liability whatsoever for the actions of third parties in this respect.

The contents of this report are subject to copyright. Please refer to Restrictions on Distribution below for information regarding the distributors of this report. Recipients must not reproduce or disseminate any content or findings of this report without the express permission of RHB and the distributors.

The securities mentioned in this publication may not be eligible for sale in some states or countries or certain categories of investors. The recipient of this report should have regard to the laws of the recipient's place of domicile when contemplating transactions in the securities or other financial instruments referred to herein. The securities discussed in this report may not have been registered in such jurisdiction. Without prejudice to the foregoing, the recipient is to note that additional disclaimers, warnings or qualifications may apply based on geographical location of the person or entity receiving this report.

The term "RHB" shall denote, where appropriate, the relevant entity distributing or disseminating the report in the particular jurisdiction referenced below, or, in every other case, RHB Investment Bank Berhad and its affiliates, subsidiaries and related companies.

#### **RESTRICTIONS ON DISTRIBUTION**

#### Malaysia

This report is issued and distributed in Malaysia by RHB Investment Bank Berhad ("RHBIB"). The views and opinions in this report are our own as of the date hereof and is subject to change. If the Financial Services and Markets Act of the United Kingdom or the rules of the Financial Conduct Authority apply to a recipient, our obligations owed to such recipient therein are unaffected. RHBIB has no obligation to update its opinion or the information in this report.

#### Thailand

This report is issued and distributed in the Kingdom of Thailand by RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL, a licensed securities company that is authorised by the Ministry of Finance, regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Thailand and is a member of the Stock Exchange of Thailand. The Thai Institute of Directors Association has disclosed the Corporate Governance Report of Thai Listed Companies made pursuant to the policy of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Thailand. RHB



Securities (Thailand) PCL does not endorse, confirm nor certify the result of the Corporate Governance Report of Thai Listed Companies.

#### Indonesia

This report is issued and distributed in Indonesia by PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia. This research does not constitute an offering document and it should not be construed as an offer of securities in Indonesia. Any securities offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in Indonesia or to any Indonesian citizen or corporation (wherever located) or to any Indonesian resident in a manner which constitutes a public offering under Indonesia laws and regulations must comply with the prevailing Indonesian laws and regulations.

#### Singapore

This report is issued and distributed in Singapore by RHB Bank Berhad (through its Singapore branch) which is an exempt capital markets services entity and an exempt financial adviser regulated by the Monetary Authority of Singapore. RHB Bank Berhad (through its Singapore branch) may distribute reports produced by its respective foreign entities, affiliates or other foreign research houses pursuant to an arrangement under Regulation 32C of the Financial Advisers Regulations. Where the report is distributed in Singapore to a person who is not an Accredited Investor, Expert Investor or an Institutional Investor, RHB Bank Berhad (through its Singapore branch) accepts legal responsibility for the contents of the report to such persons <u>only to the extent</u> required by Iaw. Singapore recipients should contact RHB Bank Berhad (through its Singapore branch) in respect of any matter arising from or in connection with the report.

#### **United States**

This report was prepared by RHB is meant for distribution solely and directly to "major" U.S. institutional investors as defined under, and pursuant to, the requirements of Rule 15a-6 under the U.S. Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") via a registered U.S. broker-dealer as appointed by RHB from time to time. Accordingly, any access to this report via Bursa Marketplace or any other Electronic Services Provider is not intended for any party other than "major" US institutional investors (via a registered U.S broker-dealer), nor shall be deemed as solicitation by RHB in any manner. RHB is not registered as a broker-dealer in the United States and currently has not appointed a U.S. broker-dealer. Additionally, RHB does not offer brokerage services to U.S. persons. Any order for the purchase or sale of all securities discussed herein must be placed with and through a registered U.S. broker-dealer as appointed by RHB from time to time as required by the Exchange Act Rule 15a-6. For avoidance of doubt, RHB reiterates that it has not appointed any U.S. broker-dealer during the issuance of this report. This report is confidential and not intended for distribution to, or use by, persons other than the recipient and its employees, agents and advisors, as applicable. Additionally, where research is distributed via Electronic Service Provider, the analysts whose names appear in this report are not registered or qualified as research analysts in the United States and are not associated persons of any registered U.S. broker-dealer as appointed by RHB from time to time and therefore may not be subject to any applicable restrictions under Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") rules on communications with a subject company, public appearances and personal trading. Investing in any non-U.S. securities or related financial instruments discussed in this research report may present certain risks. The securities of non-U.S. issuers may not be registered with, or be subject to the regulations of, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Information on non-U.S. securities or related financial instruments may be limited. Foreign companies may not be subject to audit and reporting standards and regulatory requirements comparable to those in the United States. The financial instruments discussed in this report may not be suitable for all investors. Transactions in foreign markets may be subject to regulations that differ from or offer less protection than those in the United States.

#### **DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

RHB Investment Bank Berhad, its subsidiaries (including its regional offices) and associated companies, ("RHBIB Group") form a diversified financial group, undertaking various investment banking activities which include, amongst others, underwriting, securities trading, market making and corporate finance advisory.

As a result of the same, in the ordinary course of its business, any member of the RHBIB Group, may, from time to time, have business relationships with, hold any positions in the securities and/or capital market products (including but not limited to shares, warrants, and/or derivatives), trade or otherwise effect transactions for its own account or the account of its customers or perform and/or solicit investment, advisory or other services from any of the subject company(ies) covered in this research report.

While the RHBIB Group will ensure that there are sufficient information barriers and internal controls in place where necessary, to prevent/manage any conflicts of interest to ensure the independence of this report, investors should also be aware that such conflict of interest may exist in view of the investment banking activities undertaken by the RHBIB Group as mentioned above and should exercise their own judgement before making any investment decisions.

In Singapore, investment research activities are conducted under RHB Bank Berhad (through its Singapore branch), and the disclaimers above similarly apply.

#### Malaysia

Save as disclosed in the following link <u>RHB Research Conflict Disclosures - Oct 2023</u> and to the best of our knowledge, RHBIB hereby declares that:

- RHBIB does not have a financial interest in the securities or other capital market products of the subject company(ies) covered in this report.
   RHBIB is not a market maker in the securities or capital market products of the
- RHBIB is not a market maker in the securities or capital market products of the subject company(ies) covered in this report.
- None of RHBIB's staff or associated person serve as a director or board member\* of the subject company(ies) covered in this report

\*For the avoidance of doubt, the confirmation is only limited to the staff of research department

- RHBIB did not receive compensation for investment banking or corporate finance services from the subject company in the past 12 months.
- RHBIB did not receive compensation or benefit (including gift and special cost arrangement e.g. company/issuer-sponsored and paid trip) in relation to the production of this report.

#### Thailand

Save as disclosed in the following link <u>RHB Research Conflict Disclosures - Oct 2023</u> and to the best of our knowledge, RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL hereby declares that: 1. RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL does not have a financial interest in the securities

- RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL does not have a financial interest in the securities or other capital market products of the subject company(ies) covered in this report.
   RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL is not a market maker in the securities or capital
- market products of the subject company(ies) covered in this report. 3. None of RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL's staff or associated person serve as a
- director or board member\* of the subject company(ies) covered in this report 1. \*For the avoidance of doubt, the confirmation is only limited to the staff of research
- department
  RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL did not receive compensation for investment banking or corporate finance services from the subject company in the past 12 months.
- RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL did not receive compensation or benefit (including gift and special cost arrangement e.g. company/issuer-sponsored and paid trip) in relation to the production of this report.

#### Indonesia

Save as disclosed in the following link <u>RHB Research Conflict Disclosures - Oct 2023</u> and to the best of our knowledge, PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia hereby declares that:

- PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia and its investment analysts, does not have any interest in the securities of the subject company(ies) covered in this report.
  - For the avoidance of doubt, interest in securities include the following:
  - a) Holding directly or indirectly, individually or jointly own/hold securities or entitled for dividends, interest or proceeds from the sale or exercise of the subject company's securities covered in this report\*;
  - b) Being bound by an agreement to purchase securities or has the right to transfer the securities or has the right to pre subscribe the securities\*.
  - c) Being bound or required to buy the remaining securities that are not subscribed/placed out pursuant to an Initial Public Offering\*.
- d) Managing or jointly with other parties managing such parties as referred to in
   (a), (b) or (c) above.
- 2. PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia is not a market maker in the securities or capital market products of the subject company(ies) covered in this report.
- None of PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia's staff\*\* or associated person serve as a director or board member\* of the subject company(ies) covered in this report.
- PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia did not receive compensation for investment banking or corporate finance services from the subject company in the past 12 months.
   PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia\*\* did not receive compensation or benefit (including
- 5. PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia\*\* did not receive compensation or benefit (including gift and special cost arrangement e.g. company/issuer-sponsored and paid trip) in relation to the production of this report:

### Notes:

\*The overall disclosure is limited to information pertaining to PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia only.

\*The disclosure is limited to Research staff of PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia only.

#### Singapore

Save as disclosed in the following link <u>RHB Research Conflict Disclosures - Oct 2023</u> and to the best of our knowledge, the Singapore Research department of RHB Bank Berhad (through its Singapore branch) hereby declares that:

- RHB Bank Berhad, its subsidiaries and/or associated companies do not make a market in any issuer covered by the Singapore research analysts in this report.
- RHB Bank Berhad, its subsidiaries and/or its associated companies and its analysts do not have a financial interest (including a shareholding of 1% or more) in the issuer covered by the Singapore research analysts in this report.
- RHB Bank Berhad's Singapore research staff or connected persons do not serve on the board or trustee positions of the issuer covered by the Singapore research analysts in this report.
- 4. RHB Bank Berhad, its subsidiaries and/or its associated companies do not have and have not within the last 12 months had any corporate finance advisory relationship with the issuer covered by the Singapore research analysts in this report or any other relationship that may create a potential conflict of interest.
- report or any other relationship that may create a potential conflict of interest.
  RHB Bank Berhad's Singapore research analysts, or person associated or connected to it do not have any interest in the acquisition or disposal of, the securities, specified securities based derivatives contracts or units in a collective investment scheme covered by the Singapore research analysts in this report.
- RHB Bank Berhad's Singapore research analysts do not receive any compensation or benefit in connection with the production of this research report or recommendation on the issuer covered by the Singapore research analysts.

#### Analyst Certification

The analyst(s) who prepared this report, and their associates hereby, certify that: (1) they do not have any financial interest in the securities or other capital market products of the subject companies mentioned in this report, except for:

Analyst	Company
-	-

(2) no part of his or her compensation was, is or will be directly or indirectly related to the specific recommendations or views expressed in this report.





#### **KUALA LUMPUR**

### RHB Investment Bank Bhd

Level 3A, Tower One, RHB Centre Jalan Tun Razak Kuala Lumpur 50400 Malaysia Tel: +603 9280 8888 Fax: +603 9200 2216

#### BANGKOK

### RHB Securities (Thailand) PCL

10th Floor, Sathorn Square Office Tower 98, North Sathorn Road, Silom Bangrak, Bangkok 10500 Thailand Tel: +66 2088 9999 Fax :+66 2088 9799

### JAKARTA

#### PT RHB Sekuritas Indonesia

Revenue Tower, 11th Floor, District 8 - SCBD Jl. Jendral Sudirman Kav 52-53 Jakarta 12190 Indonesia Tel : +6221 509 39 888 Fax : +6221 509 39 777

### SINGAPORE

#### **RHB Bank Berhad (Singapore branch)**

#04-00 RHB Bank Building Singapore 069531 Fax: +65 6509 0470