

Malaysia Results Review

28 February 2022

AMMB (AMM MK)

Financial Services | Banks

Buy (Maintained)

MYR4.00 (16.6%)

Target Price (Return): Price (Market Cap): MYR3.43 (USD2,703m) ESG score: 2.90 (out of 4) Avg Daily Turnover (MYR/USD) 9.34m/2.23m

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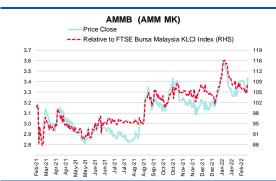


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Share Performance (%)

	YTD	1m	3m	6m	12m
Absolute	8.2	2.4	6.2	14.3	6.2
Relative	6.7	(3.1)	1.3	12.9	5.6
52-wk Price low	high (MYF	₹)		2.80	0 - 3.60



Source: Bloomberg

Biting The Bullet On O&G Exposures; Keep BUY

- Stay BUY, with a higher MYR4.00 TP from MYR3.90, 17% upside. AMMB's 9MFY22 (Mar) results were above expectations, helped by a MYR234.5m tax credit. Management is clearing the deck on oil & gas (O&G) exposures which push credit cost above guidance. Still, net profit target of MYR1.4bn is within reach while capital rebuild remains on track. The loan book clean-up, improving prospects for resumption of dividend payouts, and undemanding valuation, we believe, are all catalysts for share price re-rating.
- 9MFY22 beat on tax credit. Net profit of MYR403m (+26% QoQ) in 3QFY22, took 9MFY22 earnings to MYR1,111m (+28% YoY) - which was 87%/92% of our/Street's FY22F. The variance came from the recognition of MYR234.5m in tax credit (related to the MYR2.83bn settlement - see details on page 4) that offset MYR73.5m in Cukai Makmur and sharply higher provisions in 3QFY22. PIOP (+11% YoY) was within our expectations. 9MFY22 ROAE rose to 9.2% (FY21: 5% core), while CET-1 ticked up to 11.9% (target: 12%).
- Key trends in 3QFY22. PIOP rose 8% QoQ on strong rise in NII and well controlled opex growth. NII jumped 8% QoQ as loan growth momentum gained pace to 4% YTD while NIM +6bps on unwinding of modification loss. Non-II dipped 1% QoQ on lower investments gains that negated the 9% rise in core fees. With opex growth a lower 3%, CIR improved to 44.7% (2QFY22: 45.8%). Impairments spiked 94% QoQ to MYR337m largely due to MYR280m provisions for an O&G exposure and MYR45m in additional overlays. Loan credit cost rose to 72bps in 9MFY22 from 61% in 1HFY22.
- Asset quality. Management expects to impair a second O&G exposure of MYR600m in 4QFY22 with additional provisions to fully provide for the NPL. The bank's loans under repayment assistance (LURA) eased to MYR17.8bn (15% of total loans) on 18 Feb 2022 from MYR33.7bn (29% of total loans) in Nov 2021. The clean-up of its loans book led to lower GIL ratio of 1.35% and higher LLC of 164%. Still, FY22F credit cost guidance is raised to 72bps from 60bps due to impairment of O&G exposures, while GIL ratio would rise c.40bps.
- Other highlights. With the pick-up in economic activities, loan growth target of 5% is now within reach after the soft 1HFY22. NIM would likely dip in 4QFY22 as unwinding of modification loss tapers and NPLs rise. Opex will be higher QoQ, lifting CIR to c.45%. Management reiterated that decision on dividend will only be made at end-FY22. We have not factored in any dividend payout for FY22F pending greater certainty on this matter.
- Earnings forecasts and TP. Our FY22F net profit is higher by 10% as we factor in the tax credit, which more than offset higher provisions for the O&G exposures (Figure 3). Our TP is a tad higher at MYR4.00 (from MYR3.90) as intrinsic value is tweaked to MYR4.08 (from MYR3.94) with a 2% ESG discount based on our in-house ESG methodology (Figure 4). The intrinsic value is based on GGM-derived P/BV of 0.69x.

Forecasts and Valuation	Mar-20	Mar-21	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Reported net profit (MYRm)	1,341	(3,826)	1,404	1,662	1,808
Net profit growth (%)	(10.9)	(385.4)		18.4	8.8
Recurring net profit (MYRm)	1,341	962	1,404	1,662	1,808
Recurring EPS (MYR)	0.45	0.32	0.43	0.50	0.55
BVPS (MYR)	6.16	4.86	5.58	6.06	6.66
DPS (MYR)	0.13	na	na	0.19	0.21
Recurring P/E (x)	7.68	10.72	8.05	6.80	6.25
P/B (x)	0.56	0.71	0.62	0.57	0.51
Dividend Yield (%)	3.9	na	na	5.4	6.0
Return on average equity (%)	7.4	(23.0)	8.9	9.5	9.4

Source: Company data, RHB

Overall ESG Score: 2.90 (out of 4)

F: GOOD

AMMB has established greenhouse gas accounting and reporting practice guide to better understand and track our carbon emissions. It launched the "No Single-Use Plastic Program" to eliminate the use of single-use plastics cutleries at the premises.

S: GOOD

AMMB practices financial inclusion and responsible lending policies that promotes accessibility of financial services and products to the underserved segments. Key initiatives in include AmBank BizClub that provides education, training, development, social media exposure and networking opportunities that help SMEs scale their business.

G: GOOD

AMMB's board comprises eight directors (five independent directors). All directors are assessed annually via the Board Effectiveness Evaluation exercise. The Independent Directors assessed in the financial year under review, satisfied the independence criteria specified under the Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) Policy Documents on Corporate Governance and the MMLR of Bursa Securities and therefore maintained their independent status.



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Valuation basis

GGM-derived intrinsic value with an ESG overlay. Key GGM assumptions are:

- i) COE of 11.5%;
- ii) ROE assumption of 9%; and
- iii) 3.5% long-term growth.

Key drivers

Our FY22 earnings are most sensitive to changes in: i) NIM;

- I) INIIVI;
- ii) Loan impairment allowances;
- iii) Non-interest income.

Key risks

The downside risks include:

- i) Weaker-than-expected NIM;
- ii) Lower-than-expected non-II;
- iii) Higher-than-expected credit costs.

Company Profile

AMMB Holdings provides a wide range of financial products and services. Its business divisions covers retail banking, business banking, transaction banking, corporate and institutional banking, investment banking including funds management and stockbroking, markets, general insurance, life assurance and Takaful. These business divisions offer both Conventional and Islamic financial services.

Financial summary (MYR)	Mar-20	Mar-21	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
EPS	0.45	(1.27)	0.43	0.50	0.55
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DPS	0.13	-	-	0.19	0.21
BVPS	6.16	4.86	5.58	6.06	6.66
Valuation metrics	Mar-20	Mar-21	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Recurring P/E (x)	7.68	10.72	8.05	6.80	6.25
P/B (x)	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5
Dividend Yield (%)	3.9	na	na	5.4	6.0
Income statement (MYRm)	Mar-20	Mar-21	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Interest income	6,950	5,902	5,953	6,355	6,716
Interest expense	(4,176)	(2,966)	(2,619)	(2,812)	(2,993)
Net interest income	2,774	2,935	3,333	3,542	3,723
Non interest income	1,456	1,573	1,422	1,507	1,595
Total operating income	4,230	4,509	4,755	5,049	5,318
Overheads	(2,108)	(2,132)	(2,155)	(2,270)	(2,377)
Pre-provision operating profit	2,122	2,376	2,600	2,779	2,941
Loan impairment allowances	(290)	(1,145)	(836)	(543)	(504)
Other impairment allowances	(47)	(4,758)	(25)	(18)	(12)
Income from associates	(3)	44	40	43	46
Pre-tax profit	1,783	(3,483)	1,779	2,261	2,471
Taxation	(330)	(229)	(295)	(509)	(568)
Minority interests	(112)	(114)	(81)	(90)	(95)
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Profitability ratios	Mar-20	Mar-21	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Return on average assets (%)	0.8	(2.3)	0.8	0.9	0.9
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Asset quality and capital	Mar-20	Mar-21	Mar-22F	Mar-23F	Mar-24F
Reported NPLs / gross cust loans (%)	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.6	1.5
Total provisions / reported NPLs (%)	68.4	128.8	121.4	141.1	156.9
CET-1 ratio (%)	12.4	11.3	12.8	13.0	14.0
Tier-1 ratio (%)	12.6	11.3	12.8	13.0	14.0
Total capital ratio (%)	16.0	14.5	15.6	15.6	16.5

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Source: Company data, RHB



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Results At a Glance

Figure 1: Summary of AMMB's 3QFY22 and 9MFY22 results

FYE Mar (MYRm)	3QFY21	2QFY22	3QFY22	QoQ (%)	YoY (%)	9MFY21	9MFY22	YoY (%)	Comments – 9MFY22 vs 9MFY21
NII (+ Islamic Banking)	848	799	867	8	2	2,247	2,515	12	Up YoY on NIM recovery and pick-up in loan growth.
NIM (%) - reported	1.96	2.03	2.09			1.85	2.06		NIM recovered 21bps YoY on lower funding costs and unwinding of modification loss of MYR115m.
Non-II	313	316	313	(1)	0	1,139	992	(13)	Down YoY mainly on lower treasury and trading gains (-59% YoY), and insurance income (-23% YoY).
Non-II/Total income (%)	26.9	28.4	26.5			33.6	28.3		
Operating income	1,160	1,115	1,180	6	2	3,386	3,507	4	
Overhead expenses	(545)	(514)	(529)	3	(3)	(1,608)	(1,537)	(4)	Lower YoY with spending tightly managed.
CIR (%)	47.0	46.0	44.8			47.5	43.8		Curtailment in opex led in positive jaws.
PIOP	615	602	651	8	6	1,779	1,970	11	
Impairments on financial assets	(2)	(4)	(5)	45	>100	10	(19)	>100	
Impairment losses on loans	(260)	(170)	(332)	95	28	(655)	(696)	6	The QoQ spike came mainly from MYR280m provisions for a MYR300m O&G exposure and MYR45m in additional management overlays. Total overlay reserves carried forward stood at MYR945.2m at end-Dec 21.
Annualised credit cost (bps)	93	59	113			80	79		
Operating profit	353	428	314	(27)	(11)	1,134	1,255	11	
Associates	16	6	3	(44)	(80)	37	35	(6)	
Pretax profit	369	433	317	(27)	(14)	1,171	1,290	10	
Tax	(86)	(95)	100	>100	>100	(214)	(113)	(47)	
Effective tax rate	23.2	22.0	(31.5)			18.2	8.8		
Minorities Net profit	(19) 264	(17) 321	(13) 403	(21) 26	(30) 53	(91) 866	(66) 1,111	(28) 28	9MFY22 earnings was 87%/92% of
	201	02.	100	20	00	000	.,	20	our/Street's FY22F net profit
Other key data and ratio Gross loans	111,898	115,553	119,307	3.2	6.6				Loan growth picked up to 4% YTD or
Customer deposits	119,041	115,871	124,710	7.6	4.8				an annualised 5.2% at end-Dec 21. CASA deposits grew 4.6% YTD or an annualised 6.2% at end-Dec 21.
Gross impaired loans	1,936	1,668	1,608	(3.6)	(16.9)				Down QoQ mainly due to higher write-offs and recoveries.
Total assets	172,515	163,568	179,561	9.8	4.1				
Shareholders' funds	19,575	16,125	16,466	2.1	(15.9)				
ROAA (%)	0.65	0.82	0.99			0.70	0.89		
ROAE (%)	5.4	8.0	9.9			6.1	9.5		
LDR (%)	92.3	97.4	93.5						
GIL ratio (%)	1.73	1.44	1.35						
Loan loss coverage (%)	103.4	159.0	164.4						

Source: Company data, RHB



Management updates and guidance

Update on O&G exposure. In 3QFY22, management continued to clean up the bank's O&G exposures. It impaired an O&G account worth c.MYR300m with provisions of MYR280m booked. This was a key factor that led to the 94% rise in loan provision charges to MYR337m (includes MYR45m in additional management overlays). Management expects to impair a second O&G exposure of MYR600m in 4QFY22, which has 60% provision coverage currently. Provisions for the balance 40% will likely also be booked in 4QFY22.

Tax credit. AMMB's effective tax rate stood at a low 8.8% in 9MFY22 (1HFY22: 21.9%) as it wrote-back MYR234.5m tax paid related to the MYR2.83bn settlement paid in FY21. Following consultations, management has filed for tax credits worth MYR667m arising from the settlement. If approved, AMMB will recognise the balance of MYR433m in subsequent years. Recall that in Mar 2020, AMMB has reached an agreement with the Ministry of Finance Malaysia for a sum of MYR2.83bn as the final settlement in relation to the overall transactions by 1Malaysia Development Berhad (1MDB).

Figure 2: AMMB - management guidance and financial targets

	Achieved in 9MFY22	FY22 targets	Comments
PATAMI	MYR1,111m	MYR1.40bn	Although 4QFY22 net profit would be lower that the quarterly run-rate of MYR350m due to provisions to be taken for the second O&G exposure, the target remains achievable helped by the MYR234m tax credit.
Loan growth	+4% YTD (5.3% annualised)	5.0% YoY	With the healthy 3.2% QoQ pick-up in 3QFY22 loan growth expected to be sustained in 4QFY22, management believes the loan growth target is achievable.
NIM	+21bps YTD to 2.06%	2.04-2.05% (revised from 2.08%	Management fine-tuned its NIM expectations to 2.04-2.05%. Against the 2.06% achieved for 9MFY22, the revised guidance point to NIM pressures in 4QFY22.
CIR	43.4%	45%	Management reiterated its CIR guidance, as opex is expected to be sequentially higher in 4QFY22 due to investments for growth and digital capabilities.
Credit cost	72bps	72bps (revised from 60bps)	Management raised credit cost guidance to 72bps, from 60bps, taking into account provisions for the bank's O&G exposures.
CET-1	11.9%	12%	With capital rebuild progressing well, we believe the bank would review the decision on dividend at end-FY22.

Source: Company data, RHB

Revisions to earnings forecasts

Our FY22F net profit is upgraded up by 10% with the MYR234.5m tax credit booked in 3QFY22 more than offset assumptions of higher allowance charges (mainly for O&G exposures) and additional tax for Cukai Makmur.

Figure 3: AMMB - revisions to earnings forecasts

FYE Mar	Previous FY22F	Previous FY23F	Previous FY24F	Revised FY22F	Revised FY23F	Revised FY24F	% Change FY22F	% Change FY23F	% Change FY24F
(MYRm)	·								
Net interest income	3,244	3,367	3,543	3,333	3,542	3,723	2.7%	5.2%	5.1%
Non-interest income	1,492	1,580	1,688	1,422	1,507	1,595	-4.7%	-4.6%	-5.5%
Operating expenses	(2,131)	(2,225)	(2,327)	(2,155)	(2,270)	(2,377)	1.1%	2.0%	2.1%
PIOP	2,606	2,722	2,905	2,600	2,779	2,941	-0.2%	2.1%	1.2%
Impairment charges	(728)	(495)	(465)	(861)	(561)	(516)	18.3%	13.4%	11.0%
Pretax profit	1,921	2,267	2,480	1,779	2,261	2,471	-7.4%	-0.3%	-0.4%
Net profit	1,276	1,638	1,764	1,404	1,662	1,808	10.1%	1.5%	2.5%
EPS (MYR)	0.19	0.24	0.26	0.43	0.50	0.55			
DPS (MYR)	-	0.19	0.21	-	0.19	0.21			
Loan growth (%)	4.1	5.5	5.0	5.3	5.2	5.0			
NIM (%)	2.03	2.05	2.06	2.02	2.03	2.03			
CIR (%)	45.0	45.0	44.5	45.3	45.0	44.7			
Credit cost (bps)	62	40	36	72	44	39			

Source: Company data, RHB



Valuation and TP

Our new TP of MYR4.00 (from MYR3.90) is based on an intrinsic value of MYR4.08 and a 2% ESG discount based on RHB's in-house ESG methodology.

The intrinsic value is tweaked up, on a refresh of ROE and BVPS assumptions post the 3QFY22 results and earnings forecasts. The GGM-derived P/BV of 0.69x (from 0.67x) is slightly above -1SD from the historical mean.

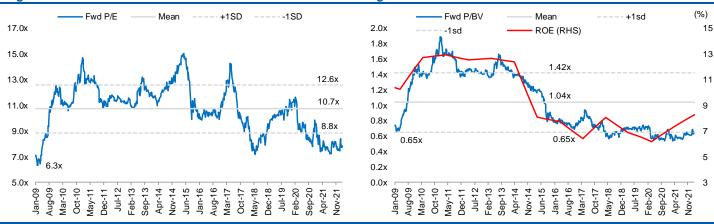
Figure 4: AMMB - GGM valuation with ESG overlay

Cost of equity (COE) computation:		Sustainable ROE (%)	9.0
Risk free rate (%)	3.7	COE (%)	11.5
Equity premium (%)	7.1	Long-term growth (g)	3.5
Beta (x)	1.1	Implied P/BV (x)	0.69
Cost of equity - CAPM (%)	11.5	BVPS - 12-mth forward	MYR5.90
		Intrinsic value	MYR4.08
ESG premium/(discount) (%)	(2.0)	ESG premium/(discount)	(MYR0.08)
		TP (rounded)	MYR4.00

Source: Company data, RHB

Figure 5: AMMB's 12-month forward consensus P/E

Figure 6: AMMB's 12-month forward consensus P/BV



Source: Bloomberg, RHB Source: Bloomberg, RHB

Recommendation Chart

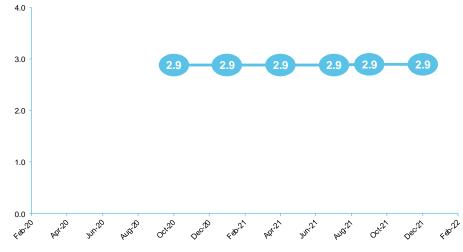


Source: RHB, Bloomberg

Date	Recommendation	Target Price	Price
2021-11-28	Buy	3.90	3.15
2021-08-31	Buy	3.50	3.03
2021-06-01	Buy	3.30	2.86
2021-03-11	Buy	3.40	3.01
2021-03-01	Neutral	3.40	3.16
2020-12-16	Buy	4.20	3.66
2020-11-30	Buy	3.80	3.32
2020-06-29	Buy	3.70	3.08
2020-03-19	Neutral	3.30	2.93
2020-02-28	Neutral	4.00	3.70
2020-01-22	Neutral	4.20	3.82
2019-12-02	Neutral	4.30	3.94
2019-08-23	Neutral	4.45	4.13

Source: RHB, Bloomberg

ESG Rating History



Source: RHB

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