

## CAB Cakaran Corporation Berhad (CAB)

## Below Expectations Dragged by Soft ASPs and Volume Drop

## Summary

- **Earnings below expectations.** CAB registered a 3QFY26 core PATMI of RM21.4m (-5.9% YoY, -1.6% QoQ). For 9MFY26, core PATMI reached RM70.9m (+0.4% YoY), accounting for 62.3% of our FY26f earnings forecast of RM113.9m and 67.3% of consensus estimate of RM105.4m. The results came in below expectations, primarily dragged down by lower ASPs for broilers, chicks, and feed, and also lower organic sales volumes.
- **YoY.** Revenue for 3QFY26 rose 7.5% YoY to RM611.8m (vs RM569.2m in 3QFY25), underpinned by higher feed sales contributed by newly acquired subsidiaries, CAB Feed Sdn Bhd and Desa CAB Sdn Bhd. However, core PATMI slipped 5.9% YoY from RM22.7m in 3QFY25 to RM21.4m in 3QFY26, dragged by lower operating profit for the Integrated Poultry segment as well as higher operating losses from both the Retail and also Fast-Food segments.
- **QoQ.** On a sequential basis, revenue fell 2.3% QoQ from RM625.9m in 2QFY26 to RM611.8m in 3QFY26. This was mainly driven by lower feed sales to contract farmers and broiler sales, as well as lower sales across most Retail outlets. As a result, core PATMI dipped slightly by 1.6% QoQ to RM21.4m, as compared to RM21.7m in 2QFY26.
- **YTD.** For 9MFY26, CAB registered a cumulative revenue of RM1.9bn, up 6.9% YoY compared to RM1.7bn in 9MFY25, while core PATMI remained virtually flat at RM70.9m (+0.4% YoY vs RM70.7m in 9MFY25). Growth was primarily sustained by M&A top-line consolidation from CAB Feed.
- **Segmental weakness across Integrated Poultry and Retail segments.** Operating profit for Integrated Poultry dropped 18.1% YoY to RM36.8m (vs RM45.0m in 3QFY25) due to lower selling prices of chicks, feed, and broilers. Meanwhile, Retail operating losses widened 17.8% YoY to RM0.5m, as store sales volumes contracted amid intensified retail market competition.
- **Fast Food drag and further delay in Salim JV.** Fast Food operating losses widened to RM0.5m (vs RM0.4m loss in 3QFY25) following the shutdown of an underperforming outlet. Furthermore, Phase 1 of the Salim Group Indonesia JV (establishment of a USD10m food processing plant), initially slated for CY2Q26 start, has hit implementation delays and remains under timeline review by JV partners.
- **Outlook.** Near-term margin recovery could remain constrained by persistent ASP weakness, organic volume drops, and volatile feed raw material costs (corn and soybean meal), though internal supply integration from CAB Feed (formerly Cargill) provides some cost mitigation. Furthermore, Phase 1 of the Salim Group Indonesia JV (USD10m food processing plant) has hit implementation delays and is under review, hence leaving the RM105m Terengganu project (+2.0m bird capacity) as CAB's primary long-term capacity driver. Management remains cautiously optimistic on its overall business prospects.

## Results Note – 3QFY26

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## BUY

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| Share price     | RM0.535 |
| Target price    | RM0.720 |
| Previous TP     | RM0.890 |
| Capital upside  | 34.6%   |
| Dividend return | -       |
| Total return    | 34.6%   |

## Company profile

CAB Cakaran Corporation Berhad operates across the full value chain from breeding and broiler farming to slaughtering, processing and value-added production, supported by its supermarket and Kyros Kebab retail businesses.

## Stock information

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Bursa Code           | 7174          |
| Bloomberg ticker     | CAB MK        |
| Listing market       | MAIN          |
| Share issued (m)     | 701.9         |
| Market Cap (m)       | 374.1         |
| 52W High/Low         | 0.885 / 0.495 |
| Est. Free float (%)  | 22.5          |
| Beta (x)             | 0.8           |
| 3-mth avg vol ('000) | 493.8         |
| Shariah compliant    | Yes           |

| Major shareholders    | %    |
|-----------------------|------|
| Chuah Ah Bee          | 45.9 |
| Chan Kim Keow         | 17.6 |
| Plant Wealth Holdings | 15.2 |

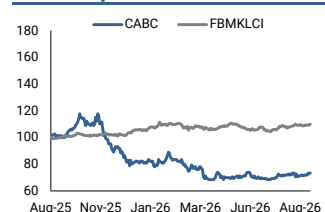
## Share price vs. KLCI (%)

|              | 1M   | 3M  | 12M   |
|--------------|------|-----|-------|
| Hist. return |      |     |       |
| Absolute     | 0.9  | 2.9 | -26.7 |
| Relative     | -1.1 | 0.0 | -33.4 |

## Earnings snapshot

|           | FYE (Sep) | FY25 | FY26f | FY27f |
|-----------|-----------|------|-------|-------|
| PAT (m)   |           | 90.7 | 95.4  | 101.6 |
| EPS (sen) |           | 12.9 | 13.6  | 14.5  |
| P/E (x)   |           | 4.1  | 3.9   | 3.7   |

## Relative performance chart



## Quarterly performance 3QFY26

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| FYE Sep (RM m)        | 3QFY25 | 2QFY26 | 3QFY26 | QoQ (%) | YoY (%) | 9MFY25  | 9MFY26  | YoY (%) |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Revenue               | 569.2  | 625.9  | 611.8  | (2.3)   | 7.5     | 1,736.5 | 1,855.5 | 6.9     |
| EBIT                  | 43.2   | 42.0   | 35.3   | (15.9)  | (18.2)  | 127.9   | 133.0   | 4.0     |
| PBT                   | 39.5   | 33.6   | 33.9   | 0.9     | (14.0)  | 117.1   | 115.3   | (1.5)   |
| Core PAT              | 22.7   | 21.7   | 21.4   | (1.6)   | (5.9)   | 70.7    | 70.9    | 0.4     |
| Reported PAT          | 22.7   | 21.7   | 21.4   | (1.6)   | (5.9)   | 70.7    | 70.9    | 0.4     |
| Core EPS (sen)        | 3.2    | 3.1    | 3.0    | (1.6)   | (5.9)   | 10.1    | 10.1    | 0.4     |
| EBIT margin (%)       | 7.6    | 6.7    | 5.8    |         |         | 7.4     | 7.2     |         |
| PBT margin (%)        | 6.9    | 5.4    | 5.5    |         |         | 6.7     | 6.2     |         |
| Core PATMI margin (%) | 4.0    | 3.5    | 3.5    |         |         | 4.1     | 3.8     |         |

Source: CAB Cakaran Corporation Berhad, M+ Research

## Valuation &amp; Recommendation

- **Forecast.** In view of the persistent weakness in ASPs, alongside with the implementation delay of Salim Phase 1 JV in Indonesia, we cut our FY26f-28f core PAT forecasts by 16.4%/15.7%/15.0%, from RM114.2m/RM120.4m/RM122.7m to RM95.4m/RM101.6m/RM104.3m.
- **Maintained BUY with a lower TP of RM0.72.** We reiterate our BUY recommendation for CAB with a lower TP of RM0.72, implying a potential upside of 34.6% from the current share price of RM0.535. This valuation is based on a 5.0x P/E ratio, pegged to FY27F EPS of 14.47 sen. We pegged a lower P/E ratio of 5.0x, as compared to 5.5x previously, to reflect CAB's persistent weakness in ASP and also the implementation delay of Salim Phase 1 JV.
- **Downside risks.** Risks to our recommendation include (i) continued slowdown in CAB-Salim Group JV timeline, (ii) persistent higher ASP and lower sales volume, and (iii) disease outbreaks risk.



### Financial Forecast

All items in (RM m) unless otherwise stated

#### Balance Sheet

| FYE Sep (RM m)       | FY24         | FY25         | FY26f        | FY27f        | FY28f        |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cash                 | 74           | 94           | 19           | 88           | 199          |
| Receivables          | 241          | 225          | 259          | 272          | 278          |
| Inventories          | 101          | 88           | 105          | 110          | 113          |
| PPE                  | 668          | 693          | 671          | 659          | 649          |
| Others               | 475          | 521          | 521          | 521          | 521          |
| <b>Assets</b>        | <b>1,559</b> | <b>1,621</b> | <b>1,575</b> | <b>1,651</b> | <b>1,760</b> |
| Debts                | 360          | 324          | 307          | 306          | 304          |
| Payables             | 252          | 247          | 278          | 291          | 298          |
| Others               | 86           | 91           | 91           | 91           | 91           |
| <b>Liabilities</b>   | <b>698</b>   | <b>661</b>   | <b>676</b>   | <b>688</b>   | <b>693</b>   |
| Shareholder's equity | 683          | 766          | 861          | 963          | 1,067        |
| Minority interest    | 178          | 194          | -            | -            | -            |
| <b>Equity</b>        | <b>861</b>   | <b>960</b>   | <b>861</b>   | <b>963</b>   | <b>1,067</b> |

#### Income Statement

| FYE Sep (RM m)           | FY24         | FY25         | FY26f        | FY27f        | FY28f        |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Revenue</b>           | <b>2,297</b> | <b>2,306</b> | <b>2,567</b> | <b>2,693</b> | <b>2,752</b> |
| EBITDA                   | 203          | 219          | 221          | 234          | 241          |
| EBIT                     | 145          | 160          | 158          | 167          | 171          |
| Net finance income/ (co) | (15)         | (13)         | (11)         | (11)         | (11)         |
| Associates & JV          | 2            | 3            | 3            | 3            | 3            |
| <b>Profit before tax</b> | <b>132</b>   | <b>150</b>   | <b>149</b>   | <b>159</b>   | <b>163</b>   |
| Tax                      | (38)         | (42)         | (35)         | (37)         | (39)         |
| <b>Net profit</b>        | <b>93</b>    | <b>108</b>   | <b>114</b>   | <b>121</b>   | <b>125</b>   |
| Minority interest        | (18)         | (18)         | (18)         | (20)         | (20)         |
| <b>Core earnings</b>     | <b>75</b>    | <b>91</b>    | <b>95</b>    | <b>102</b>   | <b>104</b>   |
| Exceptional items        | -            | -            | -            | -            | -            |
| Reported earnings        | 75           | 91           | 95           | 102          | 104          |

#### Valuation & Ratios

| FYE Sep (RM m)     | FY24         | FY25         | FY26f        | FY27f        | FY28f       |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Core EPS (sen)     | 10.8         | 12.9         | 13.6         | 14.5         | 14.9        |
| P/E (x)            | 5.0          | 4.1          | 3.9          | 3.7          | 3.6         |
| EV/EBITDA (x)      | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.4         |
| DPS (sen)          | 0.2          | 1.4          | -            | -            | -           |
| Dividend yield     | 0.3%         | 2.6%         | 0.0%         | 0.0%         | 0.0%        |
| BVPS (RM)          | 0.97         | 1.09         | 1.23         | 1.37         | 1.52        |
| P/B (x)            | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.4          | 0.4         |
| EBITDA margin      | 8.8%         | 9.5%         | 8.6%         | 8.7%         | 8.8%        |
| EBIT margin        | 6.3%         | 6.9%         | 6.1%         | 6.2%         | 6.2%        |
| PBT margin         | 5.7%         | 6.5%         | 5.8%         | 5.9%         | 5.9%        |
| Net margin         | 3.3%         | 3.9%         | 3.7%         | 3.8%         | 3.8%        |
| ROE                | 11.7%        | 12.5%        | 11.7%        | 11.1%        | 10.3%       |
| ROA                | 4.9%         | 5.7%         | 6.0%         | 6.3%         | 6.1%        |
| <b>Net gearing</b> | <b>41.8%</b> | <b>30.0%</b> | <b>33.5%</b> | <b>22.6%</b> | <b>9.9%</b> |

#### Cash Flow Statement

| FYE Sep (RM m)             | FY24        | FY25        | FY26f       | FY27f       | FY28f       |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Profit before taxation     | 132         | 150         | 149         | 159         | 163         |
| Depreciation & amortis     | 58          | 59          | 64          | 67          | 70          |
| Changes in working cap     | (8)         | 23          | (21)        | (4)         | (2)         |
| Share of JV profits        | (2)         | (3)         | (3)         | (3)         | (3)         |
| Taxation                   | (38)        | (42)        | (35)        | (37)        | (39)        |
| Others                     | 18          | (26)        | -           | -           | -           |
| <b>Operating cash flow</b> | <b>159</b>  | <b>162</b>  | <b>155</b>  | <b>181</b>  | <b>190</b>  |
| Net capex                  | (56)        | (77)        | (50)        | (55)        | (60)        |
| Others                     | (2)         | 5           | -           | -           | -           |
| <b>Investing cash flow</b> | <b>(58)</b> | <b>(72)</b> | <b>(50)</b> | <b>(55)</b> | <b>(60)</b> |
| Changes in borrowings      | (50)        | (36)        | (16)        | (2)         | (2)         |
| Issuance of shares         | -           | (0)         | -           | -           | -           |
| Dividends paid             | (1)         | (10)        | -           | -           | -           |
| Others                     | (23)        | (13)        | -           | -           | -           |
| <b>Financing cash flow</b> | <b>(74)</b> | <b>(59)</b> | <b>(16)</b> | <b>(2)</b>  | <b>(2)</b>  |
| <b>Net cash flow</b>       | <b>26</b>   | <b>32</b>   | <b>(75)</b> | <b>69</b>   | <b>110</b>  |
| Forex                      | (3)         | 0           | -           | -           | -           |
| Others                     | (45)        | (12)        | -           | -           | -           |
| Beginning cash             | 96          | 74          | 94          | 19          | 88          |
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Source: M+ Research

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### Stock recommendation guide

|                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>BUY</b>          | The share price is expected to appreciate more than 10% over the next 12 months                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>HOLD</b>         | The stock price is expected to range between -10% and +10% over the next 12 months                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>SELL</b>         | The share price is expected to fall more than 10% over the next 12 months                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>TRADING BUY</b>  | The share price is projected to rise more than 10% over the next three (3) months due to an ongoing or impending corporate development. The stock price is also expected to be volatile over the next three months |
| <b>TRADING SELL</b> | The stock price is expected to fall more than 10% over the next three months due to an ongoing or impending corporate developments. The stock price is also expected to be volatile over the next three months     |
| <b>NOT RATED</b>    | No recommendation is assigned                                                                                                                                                                                      |

