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Kiatnakin Bank

Bank Overweight

Profit overshot estimate

Earnings exceeded estimate by 29%: KK posted a 2Q12 profit of Bt818m, up by 8% YoY and 42% QoQ. The result was 29% higher than our estimate and 34% above the consensus, attributable to a fatter NIM than expected (we modeled for 3.10%; KK posted 3.53%, boosted by 14% YTD loan growth for 1H12). Hence, 2Q12 pre-provision operating profit jumped 34% YoY to Bt1.2m. 1H12 earnings represent 54% of our earlier FY12 forecast.

Results highlights: Lending grew by 6.1% QoQ and 28% YoY to Bt173.7bn (driven by HP, mortgages and SME business); our estimate was 5%. Additionally, KK's NIM soared 60 bps QoQ to 3.53% in 2Q12, driven by strong HP and SME lending growth and better QoQ funding cost management. The B/E proportion of KK's funding mix fell to 26% at end-June 2012 from 44% at YE11.

The bank set loan loss provisions of Bt560m for 2Q12, up 162% YoY and much higher than our estimate of Bt350m. Its NPLs/loans ratio dipped to 3.4% at end-June from 3.5% at end-March. KK increased its loan loss coverage ratio to 106.9% from 102.1% at end-March.

Outlook: The bank's 1H12 lending growth outperformance prompted us to upgrade our FY12 loan growth forecast to 25% from 17% formerly. But we maintain our FY12 and FY13 NIM forecasts at 3.11% and 3.10%, respectively. We expect deposit mobilization competition to intensify further in 2H12.

What's changed? Because of our expanded expectations for loan growth, we have raised our FY12-13 earnings projections by 9% and 7%, respectively, to Bt2.87bn and Bt3.35bn.

Recommendation: Our revised up FY12 profit forecast means that our YE12 target price rises by 25% to Bt41.50, pegged to a justified PBV of 1.06x (re-rated from 0.8x to factor a higher ROE assumption). We, thus, have upgraded our KK rating from SELL to HOLD. There would be scope for upside to earnings if the planned KK-PHATRA merger were to deliver greater synergistic benefits than we currently assume. In the meantime, we regard KK as essentially a dividend play.

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HOLD (upgraded)

Target Price: Bt41.50 Price (17/07/12): Bt38.25 KK TB / KK.BK

Key Ratios & Statistics

Market cap			Bt24.36bn
12-mth price range		Bt25.	75/Bt38.75
12-mth avg daily volume			Bt85.99m
# of shares (m)			636.8
Est. free float (%)			69.8
Foreign limit (%)			44.0
Share price perf. (%)	1M	3 M	12 M
Relative to SET	4.1	(1.4)	(0.4)
Absolute	9.3	4.1	12.5

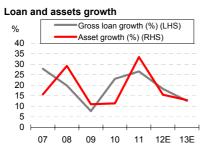
Financial summary

FY Ended 31 Dec	2010	2011	2012E	2013E
Revenues (Btm)	8,841	11,296	13,257	16,157
Net profit (Btm)	2,840	2,859	2,870	3,350
EPS(Bt)	4.57	4.51	4.53	528
BLS/Consensus (x)	nm.	0.87	0.83	0.71
EPS Consensus (Bt)	nm.	5.16	5.44	7.44
EPS growth (%)	+27.4%	+.7%	+.4%	+16.7%
Core profit (Btm)	2,100	2,574	2,201	2,671
Core EPS (Bt)	3.38	4.06	3.47	4.21
Core EPS growth (%)	-6.7%	+20.3%	-14.5%	+21.3%
PER(x)	8.4	8.48	8.4	7.2
Core PER(x)	11.3	9.4	11.0	9.1
P/PPOP(x)	7.1	7.7	8.4	6.9
PABV (x)	1.0	1.05	1.0	0.9
Dividend (Bt)	2.40	2.40	2.00	2.40
Dividend yield (%)	6.3	6.3	5.2	6.3
ROE (%)	13.6	12.1	11.4	124

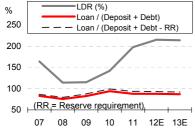
CG Rating - 2011

FY Ended 31 Dec (Btm)	2Q12	2Q11	YoY %	1Q12 (QoQ %	6M12	6M11	YoY %		
Income Statement										
Interest Income	3,741	2,687	39	3,013	24	6,754	5,144	31		
Interest Expense	1,820	1,033	76	1,586	15	3,406	1,904	79		
Net interest income	1,921	1,655	16	1,427	35	3,348	3,240	3		
Fee & service income	443	349	27	462	(4)	905	648	40		
Total non-interest income	502	402	25	508	(1)	1,011	765	32		
Operating expenses	1,262	1,191	6	1,256	0	2,518	2,310	9	•	Heavier YoY LLPs
Operating profit before provision	1,161	866	34	679	71	1,840	1,695	9		
Provisioning charges	560	284	97	213	162	773	440	76		
Operating profit after provis	601	582	3	466	29	1,067	1,256	(15)		
Exceptional items	362	382	(5)	236	53	598	568	5		
Profit before tax	963	964	(0)	702	37	1,666	1,824	(9)		
Tax	143	199	(28)	119	19	262	431	(39)		
Minority interest	(3)	(7)	nm	(6)	nm	(9)	(11)	(20)		
Net profit (loss)	818	758	8	577	42	1,395	1,382	1		
EPS	1.29	1.19	8	0.91	42	2.20	2.19	1		
Key ratios										
Asset Yield/Avg Assets (%)	7.03	6.57	0.46	6.16	0.87	6.59	6.25			
Funding Cost (%)	3.42	2.52	0.90	3.24	0.18	3.33	2.31			
Interest Spread (%)	3.61	4.04	(0.44)	2.92	0.69	3.61	3.93		•	NIM rose, due to
Tax rate (%)	14.8	20.6		17.0		14.8	20.6		•	strong HP and SME
Net Interest Margin (%)	3.53	3.82	(0.29)	2.93	0.60	3.23	3.87			lending growth
Assets to Equities (X)	(0.2)	6.4		0.5		(0.2)	6.4			icitality growth
Cost to Income (%)	52.1	57.9		64.9		57.8	57.7			
Est CAR (%)	14.0	16.3		14.4		14.0	16.3			
Balance Sheet										
Cash & Equivalent	666	337	97	493	35					
Net Loan & accrued interest	149,351	118,235	26	140,954	6				•	Net loan growth bea
ST debts, REPO & current po	86,285	78,873	9	93,718	(8)					our estimate, driven
Long-term debt	0	0	100	0	Ó					by SME and HP
Total liabilities	199,044	150,482	32	177,214	12					
Retained earnings	12,457	10,341	20	12,530	(1)					
Shareholders equity	24,436	22,308	10	24,522	(0)					
Minority interests	385	245	57	221	74					
BV (Bt)	38.7	35.2	10	36.6	6					

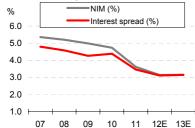
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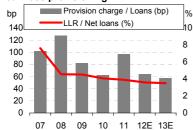
LDR and Loan to deposit +debt



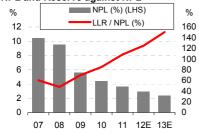
Net interest margin and interest spread



Loan loss provisioning

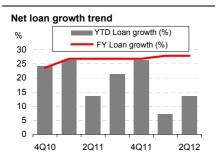


NPL and Reserve against NPL

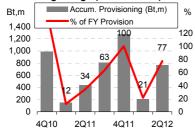


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	2000	2010	2011		
PROFIT & LOSS (Btm) Interest income	2009 8,376	2010 8,841	2011 11,296	2012E 13,257	2013E 16,157
Interest expense	-3,039	(2,942)	(4,821)	(6,790)	(8,574)
Net interest income	5,337	5,900	6,476	6,467	(0,074) 7,583
Fee & service income	962	1,257	1,408	1,642	1,763
Total non-interest income	1,097	1,440	1,630	1,908	2,069
Operating income	6,434	7,340	8,105	8,376	9,652
Operating expenses	-3,318	(3,974)	(4,941)	(5,483)	(6,117)
Operating profit before provision	3,116	3,365	3,164	2,892	3,535
Provisioning charges	-684	-647	-1,278	-1,000	-1,000
Operating profit after provision	2,431	2,719	1,886	1,892	2,535
Exceptional items	666	1,361	1,535	1,650	1,650
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Minority interest	2	26	27	19	29
Net profit (loss)	2,229	2,840	2,859	2,870	3,350
Reported EPS	3.59	4.57	4.51	4.53	5.28
Fully diluted EPS	3.60	4.57	4.51	4.53	5.28
Core net profit	2,245	2,100	2,574	2,201	2,671
Core EPS	3.62	3.38	4.06	3.47	4.21
PPOP	3,116	3,365	3,164	2,892	3,535
KEY RATIOS	2009	2010	2011	2012E	2013E
Revenue Growth (%)	8.55	8.15	25.80	17.28	20.27
PPOP Growth (%) EPS Growth (%)	16.44 19.30	8.01 26.73	(5.99)	(8.58)	22.21 16.72
Net Loan Growth (%)	7.76	23.64	(1.24) 26.78	0.39 27.85	12.68
Cum. LLRs to Net loans (%)	4.53	4.09	3.91	3.34	3.26
Provision charge to loans (%)	(0.82)	(0.62)	(0.97)	(0.60)	(0.53)
Yield on Average Assets (%)	6.69	6.57	6.04	6.31	6.57
Cost of Funds (%)	2.43	2.19	2.58	3.23	3.49
Interest Spread (%)	4.26	4.38	3.46	3.08	3.09
Net Interest Margin: NIM (%)	4.98	4.73	3.62	3.11	3.08
Effective tax rate (%)	27.96	29.51	15.64	18.46	19.26
Asset growth (%)	11.00	11.42	33.42	21.99	12.81
BALANCE SHEET (Btm)	2009	2010	2011	2012E	2013E
Cash & Equivalent	229	282	382	750	1,000
Interbank & securities	11,017	7,912	16,081	10,000	12,500
Investment in securities	22,820	19,349	32,123	40,500	46,000
Net Loan & accrued interests	83,842	103,664	131,427	168,035	189,336
Other assets	9,446	10,692	9,314	11,679	11,724
Total assets	127,354	141,900	189,327	230,965	260,560
Deposits	76,109	75,932	69,040	87,000	98,000
ST debts, REPO & current portion	22,377	25,350	86,013	95,000	110,000
Long-term debt	7,334	13,442	0	13,500	14,000
Other liabilities	3,587	6,265	10,679	10,250	11,500
Total liabilities	109,408	120,989	165,731	205,750	233,500
Paid-up capital	5,232	5,658	6,343	6,343	6,343
Share premium	2,656	3,062	3,062	3,062	3,062
Retained earnings	8,319	9,927	11,224	12,825	14,653 26,645
Shareholders equity Minority interests	17,912 34	20,671 241	23,216 379	24,818 397	20,045 415
Total Liab.&Shareholders' equity	127,354	141,900	189,327	230,965	260,560
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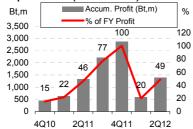
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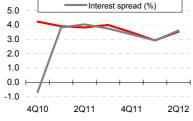
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Net profit trend (accumulated)







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QUARTERLY PROFIT & LOSS (Btm)	2Q11	3Q11	4Q11	1Q12	2Q12
Interest Income	2,687	3,061	3,091	3,013	3,741
Interest Expense	1,033	1,384	1,532	1,586	1,820
Net Interest Inc	1,655	1,676	1,559	1,427	1,921
Fee & service income Other income & MI	349 53	340 57	420 47	462 46	443 60
Total non-int inc	402	397	468	508	502
Operating inc	2,057	2,073	2,027	1,935	2,423
Operating expenses	1,191	1,059	1,572	1,256	1,262
Opt profit pre LLP	866	1,014	455	679	1,161
Provisioning charges	284	372	466	213	560
Opt profit post LLP	582	642	-11	466	601
Exceptional items Profit before tax	382 964	463 1,104	504 493	236 702	362 963
Income tax	199	215	-111	119	903 143
Minority Interest	(7.1)	(14.7)	-2	-6	-3
Net Profit	758	874	603	577	818
EPS	1.19	1.38	0.95	0.91	1.29
Core profit	659	784	564	554	1,015
Core EPS	1.04	1.24	0.89	0.87	1.60
KEY RATIOS	2Q11	3Q11	4Q11	1Q12	2Q12
Asset Yield/Avg Assets (%)	6.57	6.84	6.61	6.16	7.03
Funding Cost (%)	2.52	3.09	3.28	3.24	3.42
Interest Spread (%)	4.04	3.75	3.33	2.92	3.61
Net Interest Margin (%)	3.82	4.01	3.48	2.93	3.53
Fee income/total operating income (%)	17.0	16.4	20.7	23.9	18.3
BV (Bt) ROE (%)	35.17 13.43	35.33 31.22	36.60 11.23	36.60 9.86	38.66 14.81
ROA (%)	1.85	2.02	1.29	1.20	1.55
Assets to Equities (X)	6.4	7.0	0.5	6.7	-0.2
Cost to Income (%)	57.9	51.1	77.6	64.9	52.1
Est CAR (%)	16.30	14.8	15.42	14.4	14.01
QUARTERLY BALANCE SHEET (Btm)	2Q11	3Q11	4Q11	1Q12	2Q12
Cash & Equivalent	337	394	382	493	666
Interbank & securities	17,891	20,928	16,081	8,064	7,130
Investment in securities	24,948	27,365	32,123	41,902	56,963
Net Loan & accrued interests	118,235	126,210	131,427	140,954	149,351
Other assets Total assets	11,624 173,035	10,023 184,921	9,314 189,327	10,544 201,957	9,756 223,865
Deposits	65,267	68,316	69,040	77,875	106,614
ST debts, REPO & current portion	78,873	88,333	91,233	93,718	86,285
Long-term debt	0	0	0	0	1
Other liabilities	9,751	9,752	9,753	5,620	6,144
Total liabilities	150,482	162,135	165,731	177,214	199,044
Paid-up capital	6,343	6,343	6,343	6,343	6,343
Share premium	3,715	3,715	3,715	3,715	3,715
Retained earnings	10,341	10,581	11,224 22 216	12,530 24,522	12,457
Shareholders equity Minority interests	22,308 245	22,410 375	23,216 379	24,322 221	24,436 385
Total Liab.&Shareholders' equity	173,035	184,921	189,327	201,957	223,865
Asset quality	0	0	0	(0)	0
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Loan loss reserve (net write-off) Average interest earnings assets	4,351 173,085	4,641 167,262	5,133 179,049	5,169 195,491	5,581 218,736
Average interest bearing liabilities	144,349	141,495	152,198	160,088	173,709
BV per share	35.17	35.33	36.60	36.60	38.66
ABV per share	35.35	35.51	36.78	36.78	38.84
NPL amounts	4,679	4,867	4,727	5,063	5,223
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NPL (%) Equity/loans	3.80 16.58	3.70 15.66	3.60 17.66	3.50 15.04	3.40 14.22

Sources: Company data, Bualuang Research estimates

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STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS BUY: Expected positive total returns of 15% or more over the next 12 months.

HOLD: Expected total returns of between -15% and +15% over the next 12 months.

SELL: Expected negative total returns of 15% or more over the next 12 months.

TRADING BUY: Expected positive total returns of 15% or more over the next 3 months.

SECTOR RECOMMENDATIONS

OVERWEIGHT: The industry, as defined by the analyst's coverage universe, is expected to outperform the relevant primary market index over the next 12 months.

NEUTRAL: The industry, as defined by the analyst's coverage universe, is expected to perform in line with the relevant primary market index over the next 12 months.

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