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#### 22 April 2019 | Corporate Update

#### Malaysian Resources Corporation Berhad A New Catalyst from Bandar Malaysia?

#### **INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**

- Following a cabinet meeting last week, the government has decided to revive Bandar Malaysia, since its termination in May 2017
- The master development was reportedly valued at RM200b in GDV
- MRCB had previously signed MOU for Bandar Malaysia TOD
- The group is well positioned to undertake the project as transportation developer
- We maintain our BUY call with higher TP of RM1.05

**Bandar Malaysia brought back to life?** Following a cabinet meeting last week, the government has decided to revive Bandar Malaysia since its termination in May 2017. The announcement was made by the Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamed, who further added that certain changes will be made to its original plan.

**Background on Bandar Malaysia.** In earlier estimate, Bandar Malaysia was reportedly valued at RM200b in GDV and to be developed in a span of 25 years. The 486-acre development, which sits on the old Sungai Besi air force base, will house transit oriented development ("TOD"), global business hub and retail lifestyle destination. Accordingly, the whole development would potentially take place over 15-25 years.

**MRCB previously signed MOU for Bandar Malaysia TOD.** In January 2017, MRCB had entered into a non-binding MoU with Wondrous Vista Development Sdn Bhd and TRX City Sdn Bhd. The idea was to collaborate in developing an integrated transportation terminal at Bandar Malaysia which will house the terminus of the Kuala Lumpur-Singapore high-speed rail (HSR) line. Following Bandar Malaysia termination in May 2017, we believe the agreement should have lapsed as it was only valid for six months.

**MRCB backed by solid track.** Following the project's revival, we think that it could potentially unmask meaningful catalyst for MRCB. Whilst details are still scarce, we believe opportunities are ample given the latest GDV estimation of RM140b. Positively, it was mentioned by the PM that bumiputera participation and the use of local content will be given priority throughout the project. On that note, we think MRCB is well positioned to participate in this project, adding to its track record in building PJ Sentral and KL Sentral as transportation developer.

#### *Maintain* BUY Adjusted Target Price (TP): RM1.05 (from RM0.90)

# RETURN STATSPrice (19 April 2019)RM0.96Target PriceRM1.05Expected Share Price<br/>Return+9.3%Expected Dividend Yield+1.2%Expected Total Return+10.6%

#### STOCK INFO

| KLCI                   | 1,622.07               |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| Bursa / Bloomberg      | 1651/ MRC MK           |
| Board / Sector         | Main /<br>Construction |
| Syariah Compliant      | Yes                    |
| Issued shares (mil)    | 4,399.9                |
| Market cap. (RM'm)     | 4,223.9                |
| Price over NA          | 0.87                   |
| 52-wk price Range      | RM0.55-RM1.03          |
| Beta (against KLCI)    | 1.72                   |
| 3-mth Avg Daily Vol    | 15.8m                  |
| 3-mth Avg Daily Value  | RM13.3m                |
| Major Shareholders (%) |                        |
| EPF                    | 36.0                   |
| Gapurna Sdn. Bhd.      | 16.1                   |
| LTH                    | 6.7                    |
| Bank Kerjasama Rakyat  | 3.9                    |
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**Outstanding orderbook stood at RM21.8b.** The group has recently won RM323m worth of contract for the construction of SUKE highway. Accordingly, the amount was added to the previous unbilled jobs to arrive at RM21.8b of outstanding orderbook. The outstanding amount is huge, which will keep the group busy in the long term. For construction division however, we believe temporary drag could come from the delayed progress of LRT3 which will commence in 2HFY19. While the concern should not be overlooked, we think the impact is manageable. At this juncture, we maintain our **BUY** call with a higher **TP** of **RM1.05** (derived from our SOP valuation). Downside risk to our call includes (1) lower than expected recognition from LRT3 project, and (2) lower than expected property sales during the year.

#### **INVESTMENT STATISTICS**

| FYE Dec                  | FY15    | FY16    | FY17    | FY18    | FY19F   | FY20F   |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Revenue (RM'm)           | 1,696.7 | 2,408.0 | 2,823.6 | 1,870.7 | 1,983.8 | 2,050.3 |
| EBIT (RM'm)              | 352.5   | 357.4   | 358.6   | 141.5   | 238.1   | 246.0   |
| Pre-tax profit (RM'm)    | 370.1   | 392.6   | 338.4   | 123.0   | 214.0   | 215.3   |
| Normalised PATAMI (RM'm) | 331.3   | 266.0   | 167.5   | 101.2   | 134.2   | 139.4   |
| FD EPS (sen)             | 18.5    | 13.8    | 6.6     | 2.3     | 3.1     | 3.2     |
| EPS Growth (%)           | 660.6   | -25.4   | -52.5   | -64.9   | 32.6    | 3.9     |
| PER(x)                   | 5.2     | 7.0     | 14.6    | 41.7    | 31.5    | 30.3    |
| Dividend (sen)           | 2.5     | 3.7     | 4.3     | 1.8     | 1.3     | 1.1     |
| Dividend yield (%)       | 2.6     | 3.8     | 4.5     | 1.8     | 1.4     | 1.2     |

Source: MIDFR

#### **DAILY PRICE CHART**



Source: Bloomberg, MIDFR



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#### STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS

| BUY          | Total return is expected to be >10% over the next 12 months.  |
|--------------|---|
| TRADING BUY  | Stock price is expected to <i>rise</i> by >10% within 3-months after a Trading Buy rating has been assigned due to positive newsflow. |
| NEUTRAL      | Total return is expected to be between -10% and +10% over the next 12 months.   |
| SELL         | Total return is expected to be $<-10\%$ over the next 12 months.  |
| TRADING SELL | Stock price is expected to $fall$ by >10% within 3-months after a Trading Sell rating has been assigned due to negative newsflow.     |

#### SECTOR RECOMMENDATIONS

| POSITIVE | The sector is expected to outperform the overall market over the next 12 months.   |
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| NEUTRAL  | The sector is to perform in line with the overall market over the next 12 months.  |
| NEGATIVE | The sector is expected to underperform the overall market over the next 12 months. |