

# Malaysia Results Review 6



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# **UMW** (UMWH MK)

# **Better Late Than Never**

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# Neutral (Maintained)

 Target Price (Return)
 MYR4.45 (+1%)

 Price:
 MYR4.40

 Market Cap:
 USD1,232.0m

 Avg Daily Turnover (MYR/USD)
 1.68m/0.4m

- Keep NEUTRAL with a new MYR4.45 TP from MYR4.60, 1% upside. 3Q19 core earnings missed expectations after automotive and equipment segments disappointed. Associate contributions were higher, in line with strong Perodua sales. Management shared that it plans to introduce new SUV models to fill the gap in their product line-up, starting next year. With the right marketing strategy and pricing, the SUVs could bring UMW's earnings to the next level.
- 3Q19 missed expectations. UMW's 3Q19 core earnings were below our and consensus expectations at MYR103.3m (+6.8% YoY, +106.4% QoQ). Cumulative 9M19 earnings of MYR239.1m (+19.4% YoY) accounted for 63% and 62% of our and consensus expectations. Earnings were dragged by lower-than-expected automotive and equipment segments earnings. An error in the 2Q19 earnings statement also affected our margin assumption. 4Q19 should be seasonally stronger as earnings would be boosted by year-end promotions. A DPS of 4 sen was declared (3Q18: no dividend was declared).
- Automotive performance. The automotive segment reported 3Q19 earnings of MYR104.4m (+16.5% YoY, +1.9% QoQ), as robust Perodua associate contribution more than offset UMW Toyota's (UMWT) weaker contribution. Associate contribution grew 46.2% YoY and 11.9% QoQ, and this should be better in 4Q19 with the inclusion of Axia facelift sales. UMWT revised down its 2019 sales target from 75k to 72k units (vs. our assumption of 66.9k units). However, the revised target still looks overly ambitious as YTD 10M19 only 54,755 units were sold (-6.1% YoY). UMWT aims to capture 12% of local market share in 2020.
- Bring in the SUVs. Management shared that it plans to introduce four SUV models in the next two to three years. The group's strategy is to avoid competing head-to-head with national brands, especially in the B-segment. We believe assembling the Toyota C-HR (C-segment) locally would be the quick win solution for UMWT (see our previous <a href="report">report</a>). UMWT is also working with Toyota Capital to improve product affordability by offering step-up financing.
- Equipment and M&E divisions. Overall, the equipment division is expected to remain sluggish amidst strong competition in 4Q19, pending revival of mega projects which could potentially lift heavy equipment earnings. The segment currently benefits from a pick-up in Papua New Guinea's gold mining and construction sectors. Industrial equipment remains resilient as Toyota Forklift maintained market leadership in Malaysia. Aerospace is on track to be profitable in 2020, with production of Trent 7000 fan cases set to begin in 2Q20.
- Key risks and forecasts. We trim our earnings 7%, 4% and 2% for FY19F-21F, and revise down our margin assumptions after accounting for adjustment of 2Q19 results. Worsening consumer sentiment and the weakening MYR against the JPY and USD are key downside risks to earnings.
- Maintain NEUTRAL, as intense competition in the local automotive market is likely to limit earnings growth potential. The introduction of new SUVs may rerate earnings. The stock looks fairly valued at current levels, trading at 12.9x P/E – near the sector average. Our new TP is based on 13x (sector average) target P/E of 2020F earnings.

Forecasts and Valuation	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19F	Dec-20F	Dec-21F
Total turnover (MYRm)	11,067	11,306	11,488	11,697	11,793
Recurring net profit (MYRm)	289	381	352	399	418
Recurring net profit growth (%)	39.0	31.8	(7.7)	13.5	4.7
Recurring P/E (x)	17.8	13.5	14.6	12.9	12.3
P/BV (x)	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3
P/CF (x)	11.2	(10.7)	10.9	13.8	12.6
Dividend Yield (%)	0.0	1.7	2.3	2.3	2.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	14.6	12.5	14.9	12.4	12.6
ROE (%)	6.6	8.3	7.1	7.6	7.4
Net debt to equity (%)	36.1	71.8	73.7	73.5	72.6
Interest coverage (x)	1.0	5.9	3.2	4.2	4.3
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Source: Company data, RHB

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#### **Share Performance (%)**

	YTD	1m	3m	6m	12m
Absolute	(19.6)	(1.6)	(12.2)	(19.4)	(12.4)
Relative	(13.2)	(2.4)	(11.8)	(17.5)	(6.3)
52-wk Price	low/high (I	MYR)		4.3	2 - 6.02



Source: Bloomberg



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# **Financial Exhibits**

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#### Valuation basis

13x P/E on forward earnings.

### Key drivers

- i. Introduction of attractive new car models;
- ii. Long-term growth potential from aerospace business.

### Key risks

- i. Weakening of the MYR vs USD and
- JPY; ii. Weaker-than-expected economic growth.

#### **Company Profile**

UMW is the largest company in the automotive sector. Its 51%-owned subsidiary UMW-Toyota imports, assembles and distributes Toyota and Lexus vehicles in Malaysia.

Financial summary	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19F	Dec-20F	Dec-21F
Recurring EPS (MYR)	0.25	0.33	0.30	0.34	0.36
DPS (MYR)	-	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.10
BVPS (MYR)	2.64	2.88	3.06	3.26	3.47
ROE (%)	6.62	8.31	7.12	7.58	7.42

Valuation metrics	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19F	Dec-20F	Dec-21F
Recurring P/E (x)	17.8	13.5	14.6	12.9	12.3
P/B (x)	1.67	1.53	1.44	1.35	1.27
FCF Yield (%)	(9.26)	(27.18)	1.37	(0.52)	0.16
Dividend yield (%)	-	1.7	2.3	2.3	2.3
EV/EBITDA (x)	14.6	12.5	14.9	12.4	12.6
EV/EBIT (x)	54.4	16.4	20.2	15.4	15.3

Income statement (MYRm)	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21
Total turnover	11067	11306	11488	11697	11793
Gross profit	3,043	3,109	3,159	3,217	3,243
EBITDA (adj.)	460	689	596	735	743
Depreciation & amortisation	(336)	(166)	(156)	(143)	(129)
Operating profit	124	523	440	592	614
Net interest	(119)	(88)	(138)	(140)	(143)
Pre-tax profit	267	786	613	765	788
Taxation	(122)	(142)	(103)	(181)	(187)
Net profit	289	381	352	399	418
Recurring net profit	289	381	352	399	418

Cash flow (MYRm)	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21
Change in working capital	529	(914)	116	(41)	(4)
Cash flow from operations	459	(483)	470	373	408
Capex	(935)	(915)	(400)	(400)	(400)
Cash flow from investing activities	(1,980)	(729)	16	(283)	(289)
Dividends paid	(76)	(209)	(212)	(240)	(239)
Cash flow from financing activities	100	1,221	(212)	(140)	(139)
Cash at beginning of period	2,194	1,177	754	436	287
Net change in cash	1,177	754	436	287	167
Ending balance cash	1,177	754	436	287	167

Balance sheet (MYRm)	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21
Total cash and equivalents	1,163	549	436	287	167
Tangible fixed assets	2,661	3,702	3,946	4,203	4,475
Total investments	1,712	1,977	2,261	2,556	2,863
Total assets	9,942	10,683	11,011	11,488	11,965
Short-term debt	685	685	685	685	685
Total long-term debt	2,070	3,500	3,500	3,600	3,700
Total liabilities	5,766	6,331	6,360	6,493	6,608
Total equity	4,176	4,352	4,651	4,995	5,357
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Key metrics	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20	Dec-21
Revenue growth (%)	6.0	2.2	1.6	1.8	0.8
Recurrent EPS growth (%)	39.0	31.8	(7.7)	13.5	4.7
Gross margin (%)	27.5	27.5	27.5	27.5	27.5
Operating EBITDA margin (%)	4.2	6.1	5.2	6.3	6.3
Net profit margin (%)	2.6	3.4	3.1	3.4	3.5
Capex/sales (%)	8.5	8.1	3.5	3.4	3.4
Interest cover (x)	1.0	5.9	3.2	4.2	4.3

Source: Company data, RHB



# **Results At A Glance**

Figure 1: Earnings review

FYE Dec	3Q18	2Q19	3Q19	QoQ	YoY	9M18	9M19	YoY	Comments
(MYRm)				(%)	(%)			(%)	
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Revenue	3,289.8	2,966.0	2,882.7	(2.8)	(12.4)	8,624.4	8,623.5	(0.0)	Lower due to decline in Toyota/Lexus sales
EBIT	122.0	100.9	80.1	(20.6)	(34.3)	459.1	257.5	(43.9)	
EBIT margin (%)	3.7	3.4	2.8			5.3	3.0		
Finance costs	(26.4)	(43.3)	(30.8)	(28.9)	16.4	(71.9)	(93.3)	29.8	
Associates	58.3	76.1	85.2	11.9	46.2	170.6	227.0	33.1	In line with stronger Perodua sales volume
Investment income	23.4	18.4	15.7	(14.4)	(32.6)	64.2	51.9	(19.3)	
Pretax profit	177.2	152.1	150.3	(1.2)	(15.2)	622.0	443.1	(28.8)	
Pretax margin (%)	5.4	5.1	5.2	` ,	` ,	7.2	5.1	` ,	
_	(40.5)	(00.0)	(24.2)	(40.0)	(= ( = \	(440 =)	(22.2)	(00.0)	
Tax	(43.5)	(36.3)	(21.0)	(42.2)	(51.7)	(112.7)	(86.8)	(23.0)	
Eff tax rate (%)	(24.5)	(23.9)	(14.0)			(18.1)	(19.6)		
Discontinued Op	(38.4)	(2.0)	(1.9)	(6.4)	(95.0)	(103.9)	(0.5)	(99.5)	
MI	(43.9)	(21.7)	(20.9)	(3.7)	(52.4)	(78.9)	(67.0)	(15.1)	
Not profit	06.7	E0 1	103.3	106.4	6.0	407.3	220.4	(44.2)	9MFY18 includes one-off MYR207m – reversal of
Net profit	96.7	50.1			6.8		239.1	(41.3)	provision on financial guarantee
Core net profit	96.7	50.1	103.3	106.4	6.8	200.3	239.1	19.4	Below our and consensus expectations
Net margin (%)	2.9	1.7	3.6			4.7	2.8		

Source: Company data, RHB estimates



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Figure 2: Earnings review (Segmental breakdown)

FYE Dec	3Q18	2Q19	3Q19	QoQ	YoY	9M18	9M19	YoY	Comments
(MYRm)				(%)	(%)			(%)	
Automotive	2,643.4	2,386.4	2,296.9	(3.7)	(13.1)	6,903.1	6,845.9	(0.8)	Toyota/Lexus recorded lower sales volume
Equipment	403.4	343.6	353.7	2.9	(12.3)	1,142.4	1,080.1	(5.5)	Heavy equipment faced stiff competition but was partially offset by resilient industrial equipment sales
Mfg & Eng	253.6	244.5	252.4	3.2	(0.5)	600.3	734.0	22.3	Ramp up in fan cases production
Others	(10.4)	(8.5)	(20.3)	138.2	95.6	(21.4)	(36.6)	70.6	
Revenue	3,290.0	2,966.0	2,882.7	(2.8)	(12.4)	8,624.4	8,623.5	(0.0)	
Automotive	151.3	151.1	140.1	(7.3)	(7.4)	419.6	415.4	(1.0)	In tandem with lower sales
Equipment	43.5	35.5	30.8	(13.2)	(29.3)	126.3	108.4	(14.1)	
Mfg & Eng	15.5	13.2	15.4	16.1	(1.2)	12.1	30.9	154.8	
Others	23.3	(47.7)	(35.9)	24.7	254.4	124.2	(111.6)	(189.9)	9MFY18 includes one-off MYR207m – reversal of provision on financial guarantee
PBT	233.6	152.1	150.3	(1.2)	(35.6)	682.2	443.1	(35.0)	provision on intancial guarantee
PBT margins									
Automotive	5.7	6.3	6.1			6.1	6.1		
Equipment	10.8	10.3	8.7			11.1	10.0		
Mfg & Eng	6.1	5.4	6.1			2.0	4.2		
Others	(223.7)	558.3	176.5			(579.5)	305.4		
	7.1	5.1	5.2			7.9	5.1		
Automotive	89.6	102.4	104.4	1.9	16.5	257.7	292.4	13.4	Supported by Perodua's associate contribution
Equipment	32.9	28.2	23.2	(17.9)	(29.6)	99.3	82.2	(17.2)	Supported by Ferodua's associate contribution
Mfg & Eng	8.6	6.7	9.1	35.7	5.5	(6.7)	12.6	(288.2)	
Others	23.8	(52.5)	(33.3)	(36.5)	(239.9)	124.9	(113.3)	(190.7)	
NP	155.0	84.9	103.3	(21.7)	(33.3)	475.2	274.0	(42.3)	
NP margins									
Automotive	3.4	4.3	4.5			3.7	4.3		
Equipment	8.2	8.2	6.6			8.7	7.6		
Mfg & Eng	3.4	2.7	3.6			(1.1)	1.7		
Others	(229.1)	614.1	163.8			(583.1)	309.8		
	4.7	2.9	3.6			5.5	3.2		

Source: Company data

Figure 3: UMW's vehicle sales summary

FYE Dec	3Q18	2Q19	3Q19	QoQ	YoY	9M18	9M19	YoY
(units)				(%)	(%)			(%)
Toyota/Lexus	21,370	17,658	16,628	(5.8)	(22.2)	53,504	48,151	(10.0)
- Passenger	14,263	13,138	12,313	(6.3)	(13.7)	37,206	36,253	(2.6)
- Commercial	7,107	4,520	4,315	(4.5)	(39.3)	16,298	11,898	(27.0)
Perodua	51,105	61,123	56,972	(6.8)	11.5	168,203	178,754	6.3
- Passenger	51,105	61,123	56,972	(6.8)	11.5	168,203	178,754	6.3
Total	72,475	78,781	73,600	(6.6)	1.6	221,707	226,905	2.3

Source: Malaysia Automotive Association (MAA)

Figure 4: Historical and forecast assumptions

FYE Dec	2016	2017	2018	2019F	2020F	2021F
Toyota / Lexus (units)	65,110	70,474	66,562	66,800	67,000	67,000
Perodua (units)	207,110	204,887	227,243	235,000	236,000	236,000
FX (JPY/MYR)*	3.82	3.85	3.65	3.80	3.80	3.80
FX (USD/MYR)*	4.14	4.30	4.04	4.15	4.05	4.05
*Average rate						

Source: RHB



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