



# Kim Loong Resources 01 April 2011 BUY

FY11 EPS

FY12 EPS

KLCI

Target Price: RM2.66

RESULTS

KDN: PP 7766/03/2011 (028011)

## Full year earnings within expectation

- □ Kim Loong Resources's FY11 net profit of RM71.4m was within our expectations, beating ours by 4.7%. The stronger earnings was mainly due to bullish crude palm oil and palm kernel oil prices, which were 26% and 64% respectively higher than the last financial year. The group had declared a final dividend of 7.0sen, making the total dividend of 12.0sen for FY11 compared to 10.0sen for FY10.
- □ Revenue and earnings surged 24.9% and 20.2%, respectively. The YoY doubled-digit growth of topline was attributable to better contribution from plantation operations (+11.1%) and milling operations (+26.9%). Growth in net profit was also encouraging; up by 20% despite FFB production came down by 13.5% or 35,500 MT. The drop was mainly in Keningau estate, Sabah. Total CPO production for the period was also lower, down 4% due to stiff competition for FFB supply. Nevertheless, the impact of drop in production was offset by higher palm oil prices. Net margin, however, was lower by 0.6% due to higher expenses incurred in production.
- □ **Prospect.** We expect a high single-digit growth of profitability in FY12 thanks to better FFB production resulting from expected improvement in weather conditions. However, we remain cautious on the CPO prices, which has come down substantially from a high of RM3,906/MT in last month to a low of RM3,325/MT 2 days ago.
- □ Valuation. We lower our forward P/E from 13x to 11x given the anticipation of downward price trend ahead resulting from lower exports and recovery of production. Nevertheless, we maintain our BUY call at a renewed target price of RM2.66, giving potential upside of 19.3% coupled with 5.4% dividend yield.

Investment	Data	
Bloomberg		KIML. MK
Price		RM2.23
Potential upside	)	19.3%
Expected yield		5.4%
Expected retu	rn	24.7%
Market cap		RM680.9m
Issued shares @ RM1.00 par	9	305.3m
52 week high/lo	ow	RM2.75/
3m avg daily vo	N.	RM1.80 0.1m shares
on avg daily vo	) i	O. IIII Shares
Stock Rating TP	Old Buy RM3.16	New Buy RM2.66
Major s/holde	%	
Syarikat Kim Lo	51.0	
Other/public		49.0
1-yr consensu	ıs	
Buys		2
Holds		0
Sells		0

Financial Summary				
FY Jan (RM m)	2010	2011	2012F	2013F
Turnover	451.5	563.7	560.6	563.7
EBIT	80.8	90.7	96.8	91.6
Pretax Profit	79.5	90.6	94.9	89.3
Core Net Profit	59.4	71.4	74.0	69.7
EPS(sen)	19.5	23.3	24.2	22.8
EPS Growth (%)	-27.0	19.5	3.9	-5.7
PER (x)	11.4	9.6	9.2	9.8
P/NTA (x)	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9
Gross DPS (sen)	9.9	12.0	12.1	11.4
Dividend Yield (%)	4.0	5.3	5.4	5.1
ROE (%)	13.0	14.5	13.9	12.3
Net Gearing (x) Sources: Alliance Research, company	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

26.0sen

27.0sen

1,545.13 pts

Figure 2: Kim Loon						
FY Jan	2010	2011	2011	QoQ	YoY	Comments
(RM m)	40	3Q	40	(%)	(%)	
						Quarterly higher attributable to higher crude palm oil and palm
Revenue	103.9	141.3	156.3	10.6	50.4	kernel prices.
Cost of sales	-80.1	-108.3	-126.5	16.8	57.9	-
Gross profit	23.8	33.0	29.8	-9.7	25.2	-
Other income	1.5	0.9	1.5	66.7	0.0	-
Operating expenses	-6.7	-5.3	-8.0	50.9	19.4	-
Finance costs	-0.4	-0.5	-0.4	-20.0	0.0	-
Profit before tax	18.2	27.8	22.9	-17.6	25.8	
Tax expenses	-4.9	-6.6	-2.6	-60.6	-46.9	-
Net profit	13.3	21.1	20.3	-3.8	52.6	
						Marginally lower due to decline in FFB and CPO production resulting from weather abnormalities. Profit in milling operations was also squeezed due to competition for FFB supply. The decline in production had been mainly cushioned by better palm oil prices.
Net EPS (sen)	4.3	7.0	6.6	-5.7	53.5	-
Dividend per share Gross profit margin	6.0	-	7.0	-	16.7	-
(%)	22.9	23.4	19.1	-4.3	-3.8	-
Pretax margin (%)	17.5	19.7	14.7	-5.0	-2.9	Tax rate was lower than the statutory tax rate due to adjustments on recognition of
Effective tax rate (%)	26.9	23.7	11.4	-12.4	-15.6	deferred tax assets on reinvestment and non-taxable on certain income.
Net Margin (%)	12.8	14.9	13.0	-1.9	0.2	-
Source: Alliance Research,	_	-		-	-	

## **Recommendation Framework**

#### STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS

BUY : The stock's total return is expected to exceed KLCI's total return by 10% or more in the next 12 months.

**HOLD**: The stock's total return is expected to be within +10% or -10% of KLCI's total return.

SELL : The stock's total return is expected to be below KLCI's total return by 10% or more in the next 12 months.

TRADING BUY: The stock's total return is expected to exceed KLCI's total return by 10% or more within the next 3 months.

TRADING SELL : The stock's total return is expected to be below KLCI's total return by 10% or more within the next 3

months.

NOT RATED : Stock is not within our regular coverage

#### SECTOR RECOMMENDATIONS

**OVERWEIGHT**: The industry as defined by the analyst is expected to outperform the KLCI over the 12 months.

NEUTRAL : The industry as defined by the analyst is expected to perform in line with KLCI over the 12 months.

UNDERWEIGHT: The industry as defined by the analyst is expected to underperform the KLCI over the next 12 months.

total return = capital gain + dividend yield

### **Common Abbreviation**

Adex = Advertising Expenditure FCF = Free Cashflow PEG = PE ratio to growth

bn = billion FV = Fair Value PER = PE ratio BV = Book Value FY = Financial Year QoQ = Quarter on Quarter

CF = Cashflow KLCI = Kuala Lumpur Composite Index OP = Outperform

CAGR = Compounded Annual Growth rate
Capex = Capital Expenditure

CY = Calendar Year

Div yld = Dividend Yield

M = million

M = million

MM = month on month

MP = Market Perform

NAV = Net Assets Value

MM = Ringgit

RM bn = RM billion

RM m = RM million

ROA = Return on Assets

Div yld = Dividend Yield NAV = Net Assets Value ROA = Return on Assets

DCF = Discounted Cashflow NM = Not Meaningful ROE = Return on Equity

DPS = Dividend Per Share NTA = Net Tangible Assets ROSF = Return on shareholders funds

Amortisation

EPS = Earnings per share PAT = Profit after tax WACC = Weighted Average Cost of Capital

EV = Enterprise Value Pretax profit = Profit before tax YoY = Year on Year 1QFY12/07 = 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter for FY Dec 07 PE = Price Earnings Ratio YTD = Year to date 2HFY12/07 = 2<sup>nd</sup> Half for FY Dec 07

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