

# **Venture Corporation Limited**

# Revenue close to record levels

# SINGAPORE | TECHNOLOGY MANUFACTURING | 3Q22 UPDATE

- 9M22 PAT was within expectations at 71% of our FY22e forecast. 3Q22 PAT jumped 27% YoY to \$\$97.4mn. The improvement was in part due to lockdowns in Malaysia a year ago.
- The company said that growth was across all sectors. We believe the strong US dollar was another tailwind to growth.
- We lift our FY22e revenue by 4% but maintain earnings as we lower margin assumptions. Our BUY recommendation and target price is unchanged at \$\$20.80, based on 16x PE FY22e. Venture's dividend yield and valuation are attractive. However, we are cautious for FY23e and lower our revenue growth rate to 3% (prev. 7%). Macro uncertainty may push customers to turn cautious on their forward orders.

### Results at a glance

SGDmn	3Q22	3Q21	YoY	Comments
Revenue	1,022.6	769.9	32.8%	2nd highest September quarterly revenue.
PBT	118.9	88.2	34.8%	
PBT margin	11.6%	11.5%	0.2%	
Net profiit	97.4	77.0	26.5%	
Net margin	9.5%	10.0%	-0.5%	
Net cash	700.7	852.7	-17.8%	Inventory was up S\$345mn YoY to S\$1.25bn.

 $Source: Company, \ PSR\ \#Note-Only\ selected\ financials\ are\ provided\ in\ the\ 3Q22\ update.$ 

# The Positive

**+ Broad based revenue growth.** Revenue growth was broad-based across all verticals. The S\$1bn revenue per quarter is back to FY17 levels and the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest for a September quarter.

# The Negative

- Inventory is elevated; higher effective tax. Inventory is up S\$345mn YoY to S\$1.25bn. The jump is to cater to rising sales demand and buffer for any supply disruptions. Another drag to earnings was the higher effective tax of 18% in 3Q22 (3Q21: 12.6%) due to lower tax incentives.

# **Outlook**

Venture is expanding capacity in Malaysia to cater to improving demand. The trend to outsource more production into SE Asia away from China is a multi-year tailwind for Venture. However, macro uncertainty could dampen customer orders in the near term.

# Maintain BUY with a unchanged TP of S\$20.80

Our FY22e revenue is increase by 4% but net margins lowered on declining gross margins and higher effective tax rate.



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# **BUY (Maintained)**

TOTAL RETURN	33.9%
TARGET PRICE	SGD 20.80
FORECAST DIV	SGD 0.80
CLOSING PRICE	SGD 16.13

# **COMPANY DATA**

BLOOMBERG CODE:	VMS SP
O/S SHARES (MN):	291
MARKET CAP (USD mn / SGD mn):	3341/4696
52 - WK HI/LO (SGD) :	19.42 / 15.71
3M Average Daily T/O (mn):	0.73

# MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS

Wong Ngit Liong	7.1%
Schroders PLC	6.8%
BlackRock Inc	6.0%

#### PRICE PERFORMANCE (%)

	1MTH	3MTH	YTD
COMPANY	(2.9)	(6.8)	(8.1)
STI RETURN	(0.2)	(3.1)	3.9

### PRICE VS. STI



Source: Bloomberg, PSR

# KEY FINANCIALS

Y/E Dec, SGD mn	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
Revenue	3,013	3,107	3,791	3,905
EBITDA	375.4	387.7	481.4	499.8
Net Profit	297.3	312.1	379.8	394.7
P/E (X)	15.7	15.0	12.4	11.9
Dividend Yield	4.6%	4.6%	5.0%	5.3%
ROE	11.5%	11.5%	13.2%	13.0%
ROA	9.2%	8.6%	9.9%	9.8%

Source: Company, PSR

### VALUATION METHOD

16x PE Multiple FY22e

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# **Financials**

Incom			

Y/E Dec, SGD '000	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
Revenue	3,633,431	3,012,894	3,107,457	3,791,098	3,904,830
Gross profit	907,505	796,450	811,973	987,185	1,036,280
EBITDA	447,488	375,384	387,711	481,437	499,818
Depreciation & Amortisation	-38,692	-41,607	-36,879	-34,391	-40,730
EBIT	408,796	333,777	350,832	447,045	459,089
Net Finance Inc/(Exp)	-523	-470	-423	-200	0
Profit before tax	420,024	342,830	359,588	457,745	470,111
Taxation	-56,643	-45,426	-47,266	-77,817	-75,218
PATMI	363,130	297,325	312,051	379,778	394,743

Per share data (SGD Cents)							
Y/E Dec	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e		
EPS, reported	125.3	102.5	107.4	130.1	135.3		
DPS	70.0	75.0	75.0	80.0	85.0		
D\/DC	8.6	8 0	0.4	0.0	10.5		

# Cash Flow

Y/E Dec, SGD '000	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
<u>CFO</u>					
Profit before tax	420,024	342,830	359,588	457,745	470,111
Adjustments	28,504	40,938	40,141	25,490	31,666
WC changes	-156,795	114,872	-241,543	-205,534	191,071
Cash generated from ops	291,733	498,640	158,186	277,701	692,849
Tax paid	-61,509	-45,020	-55,928	-77,817	-75,218
Others	-523	-470	-423	0	0
Cashflow from ops	229,701	453,150	101,835	199,884	617,631
<u>CFI</u>					
CAPEX, net	-35,071	-27,768	-10,793	-20,000	-20,000
Others	10,329	7,880	8,704	9,200	9,322
Cashflow from investments	-24,742	-19,888	-2,089	-10,800	-10,678
<u>CFF</u>					
Share issuance, net	7,698	15,554	5,724	0	0
Loans, net of repayments	-4,021	-1,120	0	0	0
Dividends	-201,694	-216,900	-217,822	-217,926	-232,454
Others	-6,969	-11,786	-13,623	0	0
Cashflow from financing	-204,986	-214,252	-225,721	-217,926	-232,454
Net change in cash	-27	219,010	-125,975	-28,842	374,499
CCE, end	714,467	928,740	807,934	779,092	1,153,591

Source: Company, Phillip Securities Research (Singapore) Estimates

# **Balance Sheet**

Y/E Dec, SGD '000	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
ASSETS					
PPE	231,739	226,704	215,169	200,529	179,569
Others	697,170	689,533	682,571	682,522	682,492
Total non-current assets	928,909	916,237	897,740	883,050	862,062
Receivables	916,237	721,377	860,125	1,092,387	1,007,088
Cash	714,467	928,740	807,934	779,092	1,153,591
Inventories	706,150	656,453	1,049,429	1,061,507	976,208
Others	8,482	16,760	20,033	20,033	20,033
Total current assets	2,345,336	2,323,330	2,737,521	2,953,020	3,156,920
Total Assets	3,274,245	3,239,567	3,635,261	3,836,070	4,018,981
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payables	659,981	555,784	799,952	838,759	859,230
Tax payable	34,274	34,187	25,764	25,764	25,764
Bank loan	1,058	0	0	0	0
Others	49,380	36,152	73,052	73,052	73,052
Total current liabilities	755,294	636,228	907,499	946,306	966,777
Deferred tax liabilites	3,040	3,365	3,512	3,512	3,512
Total non-current liabilities	20,358	14,210	8,312	8,312	8,312
Total Liabilities	775,652	650,438	915,811	954,618	975,089
EQUITY					
Non-controlling Interests	2,395	2,679	3,098	3,248	3,398
Shareholder's Equity	2,496,198	2,586,450	2,716,352	2,878,205	3,040,494

# Valuation Ratios

Y/E Dec	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22e	FY23e
P/E (X)	12.9	15.7	15.0	12.4	11.9
P/B (X)	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5
EV/EBITDA (X)	8.8	10.0	10.0	8.1	7.0
Growth & Margins					
<u>Growth</u>					
Revenue	4.3%	-17.1%	3.1%	22.0%	3.0%
EBITDA	-1.4%	-16.1%	3.3%	24.2%	3.8%
EBIT	-3.4%	-18.4%	5.1%	27.4%	2.7%
PATMI	-1.9%	-18.1%	5.0%	21.7%	3.9%
<u>Margins</u>					
Gross margin	25.0%	26.4%	26.1%	26.0%	26.5%
EBITDA margin	12.3%	12.5%	12.5%	12.7%	12.8%
EBIT margin	11.3%	11.1%	11.3%	11.8%	11.8%
Net profit margin	10.0%	9.9%	10.0%	10.0%	10.1%
Key Ratios					
ROE	14.5%	11.5%	11.5%	13.2%	13.0%
ROA	11.1%	9.2%	8.6%	9.9%	9.8%
Dividend Yield	4.3%	4.6%	4.6%	5.0%	5.3%
Dividend Payout Ratio	55.8%	73.2%	69.8%	61.5%	62.8%





PSR Rating System	m	
Total Returns	Recommendation	Rating
> +20%	Buy	1
+5% to +20%	Accumulate	2
-5% to +5%	Neutral	3
-5% to -20%	Reduce	4
< -20%	Sell	5
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