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# Li Ning (2331 HK)

# Guidance maintained but we are conservative

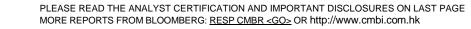
3Q22 results were roughly inline with the already low market expectation. While management is still confident about 4Q22 and keeps the FY22E guidance, we are relatively more conservative due to industry-level competition. We reiterate BUY but cut our TP to HK\$73.08, based on a 29x FY23E P/E (vs 32x due to sector de-rating). Its current valuation of 21x FY23E P/E is not too demanding.

- 3Q22 roughly inline with slight QoQ increase in inventory and retail discounts. Li Ning reported mid-teens retail YoY sales growth in 3Q22 (direct retail/ wholesale/ e-commerce increased by low-20s/ low-teens/ mid-20s), roughly inline with the already conservative market expectation. Also, the faster direct retail growth was driven by more store opening and Li Ning Young (Kid)'s YoY growth was highly impressive at around 50%. For retail discounts, while it is still increasing slightly in 3Q22 (vs 2Q22) or by LSD ppt (vs 3Q21), the gap is already smaller (vs 2Q22). For inventory to sales ratio, it also climbed slightly to 4+ months, compared to 3.6 months in 1H22, but the mix is still healthy (6 months or below improved) and was partly due to preparation for 10-1 golden week, according to management.
- Management is still confident about 4Q22E and kept their FY22E guidance, but we are somewhat more conservative. Management has reiterated their FY22E listed co level guidance (high-teens to low-20s sales growth and high-teens net profit margin) and is also positive on 4Q22E. However, we are somewhat more conservative, because: 1) retail sales growth was still fairly moderate, at 15%+ in Sep and ~15% during the 10-1 golden week, even though the bases are much lower than Jul and Aug 2022; 2) retail discounts could still increase QoQ vs 3Q22E, given both inventory pressure from the Company and industry prospective.
- Still too early to place a FY23E guidance but we think it could be mixed. While management is still confident about the 2025 target, they are still formulating their FY23E guidance. We believe it could be a bit mixed, considering the following positive factors: 1) distributors are still optimistic and placing decent orders during trade fairs, 2) ASP could still be increasing (In fact, ASP hike can still more than offset the increasing retail discounts in 3Q22), 3) likely to have more efforts on costs savings AND negative factors: 1) guidance is likely to reflect more of the currently soft economic conditions, 2) China Li Ning and Li Ning 1990 are still undergoing adjustments.
- Maintain BUY but revised down TP to HK\$ 73.08. We maintain BUY and cut TP to HK\$ 73.08, based on a 29x FY23E P/E (from 32x FY22E P/E to factor in the sector de-rating). Current valuation is at 21x FY23E P/E, which is not too demanding, in our view, vs 5-year average of 30x.

Earnings	Summary
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(YE 31 Dec)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Revenue (RMB mn)	14,457	22,572	26,910	31,350	35,802
YoY growth (%)	4.2	56.1	19.2	16.5	14.2
Net income (RMB mn)	1,698	4,011	4,752	5,514	6,585
EPS (RMB)	0.68	1.58	1.83	2.09	2.50
YoY growth (%)	12.5	133.6	16.1	14.0	19.4
Consensus EPS (RMB)	n/a	n/a	1.83	2.28	2.80
P/E (x)	65.9	27.8	24.0	21.0	17.6
P/B (x)	12.6	8.9	6.9	5.4	4.3
Yield (%)	0.5	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.8
ROE (%)	19.5	32.9	30.2	27.8	26.5
Net gearing (%)	Net cash				

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates





# **BUY (Maintain)**

Target Price	HK\$73.08
(Previous TP	HK\$80.64)
Up/Downside	+38.0%
Current Price	HK\$52.95

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### Stock Data

Mkt Cap (HK\$ mn)	138,757
Avg 3 mths t/o (HK\$ mn)	720.54
52w High/Low (HK\$)	98.0/ 48.6
Total Issued Shares (mn)	2,620.5
Source: Bloomberg	

### **Shareholding Structure**

Mr Li Ning & Family	12.79%
BlackRock Inc.	6.13%
JP Morgan Chase & Co	5.21%
FMR LLC.	4.70%
Schroders Plc.	4.70%
Free Float	66.47%
Source: Bloomberg, HKEx	

#### Share Performance

	Absolute	Relative
1-mth	-12.8%	-3.3%
3-mth	-17.0%	2.3%
6-mth	-11.5%	12.6%
12-mth	-35.4%	-2.9%
Source: Bloomberg	1	

#### **12-mth Price Performance**



Source: Bloomberg

#### Auditor: PricewaterhouseCoopers

#### **Related Reports**

- Li Ning (2331 HK, BUY) Guidance maintained with healthy inventory - 15 Aug 2022
- Li Ning (2331 HK, BUY) A resilient 1Q22 but we are prudent on 2Q22E -20 Apr 2022



# **Earnings revision**

# Figure 1: Earnings revision

		New			Old		Diff (%)			
RMB mn	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	
Revenue	26,910	31,350	35,802	26,910	31,350	35,802	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Gross profit	13,673	16,019	18,359	13,673	16,019	18,359	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
EBIT	5,776	6,717	7,766	5,776	6,717	7,766	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Net profit att.	4,752	5,514	6,585	4,752	5,514	6,585	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Diluted EPS (RMB)	1.83	2.09	2.50	1.83	2.09	2.50	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Gross margin	50.8%	51.1%	51.3%	50.8%	51.1%	51.3%	0ppt	0ppt	0ppt	
EBIT margin	21.5%	21.4%	21.7%	21.5%	21.4%	21.7%	0ppt	0ppt	0ppt	
Net profit att. margin	17.7%	17.6%	18.4%	17.7%	17.6%	18.4%	0ppt	0ppt	0ppt	

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates

# Figure 2: CMBIGM estimates vs consensus

	CMBIGM				Consensus		Diff (%)			
RMB mn	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	
Revenue	26,910	31,350	35,802	27,142	32,960	39,440	-0.9%	-4.9%	-9.2%	
Gross profit	13,673	16,019	18,359	13,846	17,213	20,738	-1.2%	-6.9%	-11.5%	
EBIT	5,776	6,717	7,766	5,830	7,444	9,141	-0.9%	-9.8%	-15.0%	
Net profit att.	4,752	5,514	6,585	4,741	5,945	7,283	0.2%	-7.2%	-9.6%	
Diluted EPS (RMB)	1.83	2.09	2.50	1.83	2.28	2.80	0.3%	-8.1%	-10.9%	
Gross margin	50.8%	51.1%	51.3%	51.0%	52.2%	52.6%	-0.2ppt	-1.1ppt	-1.3ppt	
EBIT margin	21.5%	21.4%	21.7%	21.5%	22.6%	23.2%	0ppt	-1.2ppt	-1.5ppt	
Net profit att. margin	17.7%	17.6%	18.4%	17.5%	18.0%	18.5%	0.2ppt	-0.4ppt	-0.1ppt	

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates



# **Operating numbers**

# Figure 3: Historical sales growth trend, by brand

Operating numbers	1Q19	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19	1Q20	2Q20	3Q20	4Q20	1Q21	2Q21	3Q21	4Q21	1Q22	2Q22	3Q22E	4Q22E
Nike China sales	24.0%	22.0%	27.0%	23.0%	-4.0%	1.0%	8.0%	19.0%	42.0%	9.0%	1.0%	-24.0%		-20.0%	-13.0%	5.0%
Adidas China sales	16.0%	14.0%	11.0%	15.0%	-58.0%	0.0%	-5.0%	7.0%	156.0%	-16.0%	-15.0%	-24.0%	-35.0%	-35.0%	-20.0%	-5.0%
Anta brand's SSSG	+ve Low-	+ve Mid-	+ve Mid-	+ve High-	-ve 20%-						+ve Low-	+ve Mid-	+ve High-			
Anta brand's retail sales	teens	teens	teens	teens	-ve 20%-	-ve LSD	+ve LSD	+ve LSD	40%-45%	35%-40%	teens	teens	teens	-ve MSD	+ve MSD	8.0%
Care based		+ve Low-	+ve Low-		-ve 20%-				250/ 400/	250/ 400/		-	uvo Mid	-ve Low-		
Core brand	+ve HSD	teens	teens	+ve HSD	25%	-ve LSD	-ve MSD	-ve MSD	35%-40%	35%-40%	+ve HSD	+ve MSD	teens	teens	+ve LSD	
Kids	Over 20%	30%	Over 25%	25%	-ve 20%-	+ve MSD	+ve Low-	-ve Low-	45%-50%	Over 20%	+ve MSD	+ve Mid-	20%-25%	+ve LSD	+ve HSD	
					25%		teens	teens				teens				
Online	+ve Mid- teens	25%	35%	Over 40%	+ve MSD	Over 40%	Over 50%	Over 25%	Over 60%	Over 45%	25%-30%	30%-35%	Over 30%	+ve HSD	+ve HSD	
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Non-Anta brands (FILA	65%-70%	55%-60%														
FILA brand's retail sales			50%-55%	50%-55%	-ve MSD	+ve Low-	20%-25%	25%-30%	75%-80%	30%-35%		+ve HSD	+ve MSD	-ve HSD	+ve Low-	11.0%
TILA brand 3 retail sales			3078-3378	5078-5578		teens	20 /0-23 /0	23/0-30/0	13/0-00/0	30 /0-33 /0	THE MOD	The Hop	TVE MOD	-ve 1100	teens	11.078
Classic/ Core brand				Over 40%	-ve 20%-	+ve MSD	+ve MSD	+ve MSD	80%	Over 20%	Flat	Flat	-ve MSD	-ve DD	-ve LSD	
					25%						+ve Mid-	+ve Mid-	+ve Mid-			
Kids				Over 70%	-ve LSD	Over 30%	Over 30%	Over 20%	100%	Over 40%	teens	teens		+ve HSD	+ve LSD	
Euripe				Over		0	0	0	4500/	0	+ve Mid-	+ve Low-				
Fusion				100%	+ve MSD	Over 70%	Over 50%	Over 50%	150%	Over 80%	teens	teens	Over 20%	-ve MSD	+ve LSD	
Online				Over 70%	160%	Over 80%	Over 90%	70%-80%	Over 40%	Over 40%	20%-25%	25%-30%	Over 20%	+ve MSD	Over 65%	
Other brands			30%-35%	25%-30%	-ve HSD	25%-30%	50%-55%	55%-60%	115%- 120%	70%-75%	35%-40%	30%-35%	40%-45%	20%-25%	40%-45%	
-	Over				+ve Mid-											
Descente	100%	Over 90%	50%	50%	teens	Over 60%	90%	Over 80%	150%	100%	50%	40%-45%	40%-45%	Over 20%	Over 35%	
Kolon		15%	20%	20%	-ve High-	+ve LSD	20%-25%	30%-40%	Over 75%	40%	30%	-ve High-	40%-45%	Over 20%	Over 55%	
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Li Ning group's SSSG	+ve Mid-		+ve High-	+ve Low-	n/a	-ve MSD	+ve LSD	+ve Low-	n/a	+ve Low	•	+ve Low		-ve Low-	+ve HSD	
	teens	teens	teens	twenties		vo Lliab		teens		80%	20%	20%	20%	teens		
Direct retail	+ve HSD	+ve Low- teens	+ve Low- teens	+ve High- teens	n/a	-ve High- teens	-ve MSD	+ve HSD	n/a	+ve Low 90%	+ve Low 30%	+ve Mid 20%		-ve High- teens	+ve MSD	
	+ve Low-	+ve Low-	+ve Low-	+ve Mid-		-ve Low-				+ve Low	+ve Mid			-ve High-		
Wholesales	teens	teens	teens	teens	n/a	teens	-ve MSD	+ve MSD	n/a	70%	20%	teens		teens	+ve HSD	
E. Commoroo	+ve High	+ve Mid	+ve Mid	+ve Low	+ve Low-	+ve Mid	+ve High	+ve Low	n/a	±ve Hiab	+ve Mid			+ve LSD	+ve Low-	
E- Commerce	30%	30%	50%	40%	teens	20%	30%	30%	n/a	80%	30%	20%	30%	+ve LSD	teens	
Li Ning group's retail sa	+ve Low	+ve Low	+ve Low	+ve Mid	-ve High-	-ve MSD	+ve MSD	+ve Mid-	+ve High		+ve Low	+ve Low	•	-ve HSD	+ve Mid-	<b>15.0%</b>
I mig group o rotan ou	20%-25%	20%-25%	30%-35%	30%-40%	teens			teens	80%	90%	40%	30%			teens	
Direct retail	+ve Low-	+ve HSD	+ve Mid-	+ve High-	-ve Mid	-ve Low-	Flat	+ve MSD	+ve Low	+ve High	+ve Mid	+ve High		-ve HSD	+ve Low	
	teens +ve Low	+ve Mid-	teens +ve Mid-	teens +ve Low	30% -ve High-	teens		+ve Low-	90% +ve Low	80% +ve Low	30% +ve High	20% +ve High			20% +ve Low-	
Wholesales	20%-25%	+ve iviid- 20%	+ve iviid- 30%	+ve Low 40%	teens	-ve HSD	-ve LSD	teens	+ve Low 80%	+ve Low 90%	+ve High 30%	+ve nign 20%		-ve HSD	teens	
	+ve Low	+ve High	+ve Low	+ve Low	+ve Low-	+ve High	+ve Low	+ve Mid		+ve High	+ve Mid	+ve Low			+ve Mid	
E- Commerce	40%	20%	50%	40%	teens	20%	40%	30%	100%	90%	50%	40%	30%	+ve MSD	20%	
Xtep's SSSG	+ve Low-	+ve Low-	10%	+ve Low-												
Xiep 3 0000	teens	teens	1078	teens												
Xtep's retail sales	Over 20%	Over 20%	20%	Over 20%	-ve 20%-	-ve LSD	+ve MSD	+ve HSD	Mid 50%-	30%-35%	+ve Mid-	20%-25%	30%-35%	+ve Mid-	20%-25%	14.0%
361 Degrees' SSSG	+ve LSD	+ve LSD	+ve LSD	+ve LSD	25%				60%		teens			teens		
Sol Degrees 5556	+ve LSD	+ve LSD	+ve LSD	+ve LSD	-ve 20%-	-ve Low-			+ve High-			+ve High-	+ve High-		+ve Mid-	
361 Degree's retail sales	5				25%	teens	-ve HSD	+ve LSD	teens	15%-20%	teens	teens		teens	teens	
Pou Sheng's SSSG	8.4%	4.2%	6.0%	1.9%	-32.5%	-17.8%			teens		teens	teens	teens	teens	teens	
Pou Sheng's sales	19.9%	18.9%	21.9%	19.1%	-25.1%	0.3%	-0.3%	1.0%	47.8%	-15.0%	-25.1%	-26.7%	-25.0%	-24.1%	-8.0%	0.0%
												-ve 20%-	-ve High-	-ve High		
Topsports' retail sales												25%		20%		
			+ve Mid	+ve Mid	-ve Low		+ve Low			+ve Mid	-ve High-	-ve Mid to		-ve Low		
Dong Xiang's SSSG	-ve LSD	+ve MSD	to High	to High	to Mid SD	-ve MSD	to Mid SD	+ve MSD	+ve HSD	to High	teens	High-	-ve MSD	to Mid-		
			SD	SD						SD		teens		teens		
			+ve Mid-	+ve Low-	-ve 25%-	-ve Low-		+ve Low-			-ve Mid to	-ve Mid-		-ve Mid to		
Dong Xiang's retail sale	+ve MSD	+ve MSD	teens	teens	30%	Mid SD	+ve MSD	teens	60%-70%	to Mid-	High-	teens		High-		
					-ve 30%-	volorr				teens	teens			teens		
Direct retail	Flat	+ve LSD	+ve HSD	+ve MSD	-ve 30%- 35%	-ve Low- teens	Flat	+ve MSD	70%-75%							
5.0	+ve 35%-	+ve 30%-	+ve 55%-	+ve 40%-	-ve Low-	+ve 30%-	+ve 30%-	+ve 20%-	050/ 10/							
E- Commerce	45%	35%	60%	45%	teens	35%	35%	30%	35%-40%							

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates, \*Nike's year end is at May (e.g. 4Q18 calendar year = 2Q19 fiscal year = Sep-Nov 2018)



# Valuation

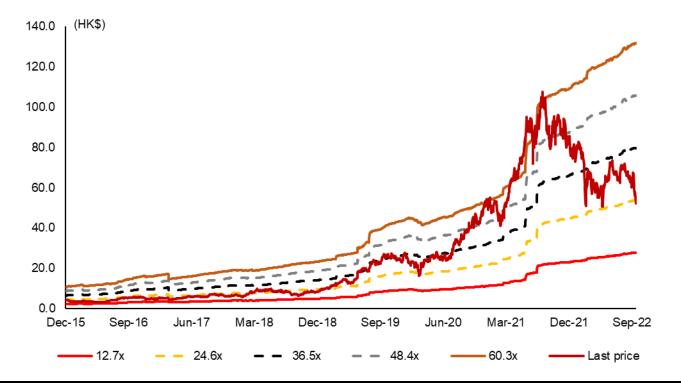
# Figure 4: Peers valuation table

			12m TP	Price	Up/ Down-	Mkt. Cap	Year	P/E	(x)	P/B	(x)	ROE (%)	3yrs PEG (x)	Yield (%)
Company	Ticker	Rating	(LC)	(LC)	side	(HK\$mn)	End	FY1E	FY2E	FY1E	FY2E	FY1E	FY1E	FY1E
H shares Spor	tswear													
Li Ning	2331 HK	BUY	73.08	52.95	38%	138,757	Dec-21	24.0	21.0	6.9	5.4	32.9	1.5	1.2
Anta Sports	2020 HK	BUY	115.47	76.20	52%	206,778	Dec-21	23.3	18.6	5.4	4.5	25.5	1.8	1.9
Xtep Intl	1368 HK	BUY	17.04	7.62	124%	20,078	Dec-21	16.5	13.8	2.1	1.9	13.5	1.0	3.3
361 Degrees	1361 HK	NR	n/a	3.34	n/a	6,906	Dec-21	8.4	7.2	0.8	0.7	10.3	0.6	3.5
Topsports	6110 HK	NR	n/a	5.40	n/a	33,487	Feb-22	11.8	9.8	2.7	2.4	24.1	1.3	5.9
Pou Sheng	3813 HK	NR	n/a	0.45	n/a	2,370	Dec-21	9.1	3.2	0.3	0.2	(3.2)	0.3	2.9
China DX	3818 HK	NR	n/a	0.30	n/a	1,737	Mar-22	n/a	3.4	0.2	0.2	(16.7)	0.0	7.4
							Avg.	15.5	11.0	2.6	2.2	12.4	0.9	3.7
							Med.	14.2	9.8	2.1	1.9	13.5	1.0	3.3
International S	Sportswea	<u>r</u>												
Nike Inc	NKE US	NR	n/a	88.57	n/a	1,087,779	May-22	29.3	23.0	9.0	8.2	37.4	4.4	1.4
Adidas	ADS GY	NR	n/a	115.68	n/a	170,268	Dec-21	17.5	14.7	3.3	3.1	29.5	(2.1)	2.6
Puma	PUM GY	NR	n/a	46.81	n/a	54,095	Dec-21	18.3	16.1	2.9	2.6	16.0	1.3	1.8
Under Armour	UAA US	NR	n/a	6.92	n/a	23,319	Mar-23	13.7	9.8	1.6	1.4	n/a	0.6	0.0
Lululemon	LULU US	NR	n/a	296.87	n/a	297,133	Jan-22	29.7	25.8	11.1	8.3	39.9	1.4	0.0
Skechers	SKX US	NR	n/a	35.70	n/a	43,642	Dec-21	13.5	10.6	1.5	1.3	23.3	(3.0)	0.0
Vf Corp	VFC US	NR	n/a	28.45	n/a	86,760	Apr-22	11.0	9.7	3.1	3.0	30.4	(8.8)	7.2
Columbia	COLM US	NR	n/a	72.68	n/a	35,424	Dec-21	14.1	12.6	2.3	2.0	18.5	1.9	1.6
Wolverine	WWW US	NR	n/a	16.10	n/a	9,951	Jan-22	7.3	6.5	1.9	1.5	18.4	0.1	2.7
Mizuno Corp	8022 JP	NR	n/a	2593.00	n/a	3,611	Mar-22	10.2	9.0	0.6	0.6	7.6	(2.6)	2.3
Asics Corp	7936 JP	NR	n/a	2378.00	n/a	23,655	Dec-21	23.9	19.8	2.8	2.6	6.4	0.9	1.3
							Avg.	17.1	14.3	3.6	3.1	22.7	(0.5)	1.9
							Med.	14.1	12.6	2.8	2.6	20.9	0.6	1.6

Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates



# Figure 5: P/E valuation band



Source: Bloomberg, CMBIGM estimates

# Assumptions

### Figure 6: Major assumptions



Figure 6: Major assumptions Major assumptions	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Sales by segment (RMB mn)					
Shoes	6,338	9,506	12,537	15,006	17,261
Clothes	7,365	11,824	13,006	14,827	16,903
Equipment	754	1,242	1,367	1,517	1,638
Others	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14,457	22,572	26,910	31,350	35,802
Sales by segment growth (%)					
Shoes	4.2%	50.0%	31.9%	19.7%	15.0%
Clothes	3.6%	60.5%	10.0%	14.0%	14.0%
Equipment	11.7%	64.9%	10.0%	11.0%	8.0%
Others	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total	4.2%	56.1%	19.2%	16.5%	14.2%
Sales by channel growth (%)					
Franchises	0.9%	56.7%	18.0%	15.0%	13.0%
Self-owned	-9.8%	53.5%	15.0%	17.0%	15.0%
E-commerce	29.7%	58.4%	25.0%	19.0%	16.0%
International	-16.7%	34.9%	10.0%	5.0%	0.0%
Total	4.2%	56.1%	19.2%	16.5%	14.2%
Sales network by segment					
Self-owned	1,149	1,165	1,310	1,350	1,380
Franchise	4,763	4,770	4,775	4,805	4,835
Sub-total	5,912	5,935	6,085	6,155	6,215
LN Young	1,021	1,202	1,277	1,377	1,457
Total	6,933	7,137	7,362	7,532	7,672
GP margins	49.1%	53.0%	50.8%	51.1%	51.3%
Opex breakdown					
A & P/ sales	8.9%	7.9%	8.2%	8.4%	8.6%
Labour/ sales	9.1%	8.0%	7.7%	7.8%	7.5%
Rental/ sales	6.3%	5.1%	5.2%	5.1%	4.9%
D & A/ sales	4.0%	2.8%	2.7%	2.8%	3.0%
R & D/ sales	2.2%	1.8%	2.1%	2.2%	2.2%
Provision/ sales	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Selling & distribution costs / sales	30.6%	27.2%	27.1%	27.5%	27.4%
Admin expenses / sales	5.6%	4.9%	4.8%	4.7%	4.6%
OP margins	15.2%	22.8%	21.5%	21.4%	21.7%
Effective tax rate	24.4%	24.7%	23.0%	22.0%	20.0%
Net profit margins	11.7%	17.8%	17.7%	17.6%	18.4%
Net profit att. growth (%)	13.3%	136.1%	18.5%	16.0%	19.4%

Source: Company data, CMBIGM estimates

# **Financial Summary**

Income statement						Cash flow summary					
YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Revenue	14,457	22,572	26,910	31,350	35,802	EBIT	2,196	5,136	5,776	6,717	7,766
Franchises	6,924	10,853	12,806	14,727	16,642	D & A	576	630	747	894	1,045
Self-owned	3,265	5,010	5,762	6,742	7,753	Change in working capital	142	948	227	390	391
E-commerce	4,049	6,413	8,016	9,539	11,065	Income tax paid	(589)	(549)	(1,317)	(1,419)	(1,555)
International	220	296	326	342	342	Others	439	-	-	-	-
Cost of goods sold	(7,363)	(10,603)	(13,237)	(15,331)	(17,443)	Net cash from operating	2,763	6,165	5,433	6,582	7,646
Gross profit	7,094	11,969	13,673	16,019	18,359						
Other income	331	416	686	768	841	Capex & investments	(594)	(1,016)	(1,076)	(1,254)	(1,432)
						Associated companies	(53)	-	-	-	-
Operating expenses	(5,230)	(7,249)	(8,583)	(10,069	(11,435	Interest received	31	97	99	115	131
D & A	(576)	(630)	(565)	(690)	(788)	Others	(376)	(9)	153	42	78
Staff costs	(1,311)	(1,812)	(2,067)	(2,447)	(2,694)	Net cash from investing	(992)	(927)	(825)	(1,097)	(1,223)
S & D costs (ex-staff, D&A)	(3,449)	(4,783)	(5,737)	(6,746)	(7,739)						
Admin exp. (ex-staff, D&A)	106	(24)	(214)	(186)	(214)	Equity raised	189	-	-	-	-
Other operating expenses	-	-	-	-	-	Net change in bank loans	-	-	-	-	-
EBIT	2,196	5,136	5,776	6,717	7,766	Dividend paid	(378)	(510)	(1,203)	(1,398)	(1,593)
						Others	(325)	(112)	(103)	(92)	(72)
Finance costs, net	(32)	33	234	164	250	Net cash from financing	(513)	(622)	(1,306)	(1,490)	(1,665)
JVs & associates	83	159	161	188	215						
Exceptional	-	-	-	-	-	Net change in cash	1,258	4,616	3,302	3,995	4,758
Pre-tax profit	2,248	5,328	6,171	7,070	8,231	Beginning cash balance	5,961	7,187	11,803	15,105	19,100
						Exchange difference	(33)	-	-	-	-
Income tax	(549)	(1,317)	(1,419)	(1,555)	(1,646)	Cash at the end of the year	7,187	11,803	15,105	19,100	23,858
Less: Minority interests	0	0	0	0	0	-					
Net profit	1,698	4,011	4,752	5,514	6,585						

Balance sheet						Key ratios					
YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E	YE 31 Dec	FY20A	FY21A	FY22E	FY23E	FY24E
Non-current assets	4,817	5,419	5,994	6,642	7,356	Sales mix (%)					
Fixed asset	1,065	1,502	1,873	2,269	2,683	Franchises	47.9	48.1	47.6	47.0	46.5
Intangible assets & goodwill	357	460	602	780	996	Self-owned	22.6	22.2	21.4	21.5	21.7
Prepaid lease payments	384	384	384	384	384	E-commerce	28.0	28.4	29.8	30.4	30.9
Interest in joint ventures	-	62	125	198	281	International	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0
Other non-current assets	3,011	3,011	3,011	3,011	3,011	Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Current assets	9,777	15,241	19,475	24,176	29,644	P&L ratios (%)					
Cash and cash equivalents	7,187	11,803	15,105	19,100	23,858	Gross margin	49.1	53.0	50.8	51.1	51.3
Inventories	1,346	1,598	2,176	2,520	2,867	Operating margin	15.2	22.8	21.5	21.4	21.7
Trade and other receivables	659	928	1,106	1,288	1,471	Pre-tax margin	15.5	23.6	22.9	22.6	23.0
Prepayments	584	912	1,087	1,267	1,446	Net margin	11.7	17.8	17.7	17.6	18.4
Other current assets	1	1	1	1	1	Effective tax rate	25.4	25.5	23.6	22.6	20.5
Current liabilities	5,015	7,580	8,841	10,073	11,264	Balance sheet ratios					
Bank loans	-	-	-	-	-	Current ratio (x)	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.6
Trade payables	1,227	1,598	1,995	2,310	2,628	Quick ratio (x)	1.7	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.4
Accruals & other payables	2,540	3,967	4,729	5,509	6,291	Cash ratio (x)	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.9	2.1
Tax payables	592	1,360	1,462	1,598	1,689	Inventory turnover days	67	55	60	60	60
Others	656	656	656	656	656	Trade receivables days	17	15	15	15	15
						Trade payables days	61	55	55	55	55
Non-current liabilities	889	889	889	889	889	Total debt / total equity ratio (%)	1	1	1	1	0
Bank loans	-	-	-	-	-	Net debt / equity ratio (%)	Net cash				
Deferred income	-	-	-	-	-	Returns (%)					
Deferred tax	64	64	64	64	64	ROE	19.5	32.9	30.2	27.8	26.5
Others	825	825	825	825	825	ROA	11.6	19.4	18.7	17.9	17.8
						Per share					
Minority Interest	-	-	-	-	-	EPS (RMB)	0.68	1.58	1.83	2.09	2.50
Total net assets	8,689	12,191	15,739	19,856	24,847	DPS (RMB)	0.21	0.49	0.57	0.65	0.77
Shareholders' equity	8,689	12,191	15,739	19,856	24,847	BVPS (RMB)	3.54	4.96	6.41	8.08	10.1

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