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Zoomlion Heavy Industry - A (000157 CH)

Dividend cut a surprise; Positive on the recovery story

Zoomlion's net profit in 2019 came in at RMB4.38bn, up 116% Y0Y, within the profit growth range of 113-123% YoY released in the profit alert earlier. That said, the Company unexpectedly proposed not to pay dividend (compared with 98% payout in 2018), in spite of its strong operating cash flow. We believe such move aims at protecting balance sheet and offers flexibility to buyback outstanding bonds. We fine-tuned our 2020E/21E earnings forecast -5%/-2% on lower revenue assumptions. Our TP is revised down to RMB6.85, based on 1.2x 2020E P/B (down from 1.4x), on the back of 11.7%-12% ROE in 2020E-22E. Recovery of construction machinery demand in 2Q will serve as key catalyst.

- Key highlights on 2019 results. The revenue growth in 2H19 was 50% YoY and gross margin expanded 1.3ppt YoY to 30% (stable HoH). However, S&D expense ratio increased to 9% in 2H19, compared with 8.3% in 2H18 and 8.4% in 1H19. Besides, R&D expense ratio increased to 5% in 2H19, up significantly from 2.7% in 2H18 and 2.1% in 1H19. We believe the higher expense ratio was due to the launch of new products. Thanks to lower finance expense and effective tax rate, net profit in 2H19 grew 55% YoY to ~RMB1.8bn.
- Dividend cut reflects the conservative approach taken by the Company. We are surprised about the dividend cut as the Company generated strong operating cash flow of RMB6bn in 2019, though it spent RMB2.1bn on share buyback for employee share incentive scheme. The latest dividend policy suggested that the Company is potentially planning for debt repayment or redemption. Several tranches of bonds will be matured over the coming few years, with the first one in Dec 2022 (principal amount of US\$600m with coupon rate of 6.13%). The recent volatile bond market due to the lack of liquidity may offer the Company with the opportunity to buyback at discount.
- **Risk factors:** (1) Unexpected weakness on property construction activities; (2) Slow recovery of infrastructure spending; (3) High earnings volatility.

Earnings Summary

(YE 31 Dec)	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Revenue (RMB mn)	28,697	43,307	48,890	53,585	57,723
YoY growth (%)	39.3	50.9	12.9	9.6	7.7
Net income (RMB mn)	2,031	4,381	5,060	5,610	6,039
EPS (RMB)	0.27	0.58	0.64	0.71	0.77
YoY growth (%)	51.5	119.2	10.2	10.9	7.7
Consensus EPS (RMB)	n/a	n/a	0.66	0.74	0.69
EV/EBITDA (x)	13.3	8.6	7.3	6.7	6.4
P/E (x)	21.2	10.0	9.3	8.4	7.6
P/B (x)	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.8
Yield (%)	4.4	0.0	2.7	3.0	3.3
ROE (%)	5.4	11.4	12.1	11.9	11.7
Net gearing (%)	33.6	31.3	19.1	16.2	11.1

Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates

BUY (Maintain)

Target Price RMB6.85
(Previous TP RMB7.55)
Up/Downside +15%
Current Price RMB5.96

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Stock Data

Mkt Cap (RMB mn)	45,967
Avg 3 mths t/o (RMB mn)	307
52w High/Low (RMB)	6.95/4.35
Total Issued Shares (mn)	6,456 (A)
	1,388 (H)

Source: Bloomberg

Shareholding Structure

SASAC of Hunan Province	16.0%
Management team	4.9%
A share free float	61.4%
H share free float	17.7%

Source: HKEx, Shanghai Stock Exchange

Share Performance

	Absolute	Relative
1-mth	-5.1%	1.8%
3-mth	-9.4%	0.6%
6-mth	4.6%	8.6%

Source: Bloomberg

12-mth Price Performance



Source: Bloomberg

Auditor: KPMG

Related Reports

- China Construction Machinery Sector - Scenario analysis on the resumption of factory production – 10 Feb 2020
- China Construction Machinery
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Figure 1: 2019 results highlights (figures font size too small)

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YE Dec 31 (RMB mn)	2018	2019	Change (YoY)	2019E	A vs E	1H18	1H19 Ch	nange (YoY)	2H18	2H19	Change (YoY)
Total revenue	28,697	43,307	50.9%	44,342	-2.3%	14,706	22,262	51.4%	13,991	21,045	50.4%
Cost of sales	(20,923)	(30,314)	44.9%	(30,741)	-1.4%	(10,953)	(15,584)	42.3%	(9,970)	(14,730)	47.7%
Gross profit	7,774	12,993	67.1%	13,602	-4.5%	3,753	6,678	77.9%	4,021	6,315	57.1%
Other income	882	1,017	15.3%	682	49.1%	397	622	56.7%	485	395	-18.6%
S&D expenses	(2,379)	(3,780)	58.9%	(3,326)	13.7%	(1,213)	(1,881)	55.1%	(1,166)	(1,899)	62.9%
Administrative expenses	(2,063)	(2,693)	30.5%	(2,882)	-6.6%	(1,139)	(1,324)	16.2%	(924)	(1,369)	48.2%
R&D expenses	(581)	(1,516)	160.9%	(887)	70.9%	(197)	(461)	134.0%	(384)	(1,055)	174.7%
EBIT	3,633	6,021	65.7%	7,189	-16.2%	1,601	3,634	127.0%	2,032	2,387	17.5%
Net finance income/(cost)	(1,205)	(1,165)	-3.3%	(1,359)	-14.3%	(607)	(596)	-1.8%	(598)	(569)	-4.8%
Finance income	347	539	55.3%	385	39.9%	192	277	44.3%	155	262	69.0%
Finance expenses	(1,552)	(1,704)	9.8%	(1,745)	-2.3%	(799)	(873)	9.3%	(753)	(831)	10.4%
Other gains/(losses)	0	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a
Share of profit of JV and associates	222	188	-15.3%	235	-20.0%	86	82	-4.7%	136	106	-22.1%
Pretax profit	2,650	5,044	90.3%	6,065	-16.8%	1,080	3,120	188.9%	1,570	1,924	22.5%
Income tax	(682)	(759)	11.3%	(1,559)	-51.3%	(217)	(540)	148.8%	(465)	(219)	-52.9%
After tax profit	1,968	4,285	117.7%	4,506	-4.9%	863	2,580	199.0%	1,105	1,705	54.3%
MI & discontinued operation	63	96	52.4%	45	113.0%	11	5	-54.5%	52	91	75.0%
Net profit	2,031	4,381	115.7%	4,551	-3.7%	874	2,585	195.8%	1,157	1,796	55.2%
D&A	837	867	3.6%	852	1.8%	412	394	-4.4%	425	473	11.3%
EBITDA	4,470	6,888	54.1%	8,041	-14.3%	2,013	4,028	100.1%	2,457	2,860	16.4%

Source: Company data, CMBIS

Figure 2: 2019 segment breakdown

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(RMB mn)	2018	2019	Change (YoY)	2019E	A vs E	1H18	1H19 C	hange (YoY)	2H18	2H19	Change (YoY)
Revenue									l		
Construction machinery	26,723	40,991	53.4%	42,348	-3.2%	13,578	21,017	54.8%	13,145	19,974	52.0%
Concrete machinery	10,165	13,902	36.8%	16,264	-14.5%	5,711	7,490	31.2%	4,454	6,412	44.0%
Crane machinery	12,472	22,147	77.6%	19,955	11.0%	5,651	11,005	94.7%	6,821	11,142	63.3%
Others	4,086	4,942	20.9%	6,129	-19.4%	2,216	2,522	13.8%	1,870	2,420	29.4%
Agricultural machinery	1,477	1,583	7.2%	1,447	9.4%	935	911	-2.6%	542	672	24.0%
Financial services	497	733	47.5%	547	34.1%	193	334	73.1%	304	399	31.3%
Revenue (continuous operations)	28,697	43,307	50.9%	44,342	-2.3%	14,706	22,262	51.4%	13,991	21,045	50.4%
Environmental industry (discontinued)	0	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a
Total revenue	28,697	43,307	50.9%	44,342	-2.3%	14,706	22,262	51.4%	13,991	21,045	50.4%
Gross profit											
Construction machinery	7,176	12,193	69.9%	12,957	-5.9%	3,465	6,253	80.5%	3,711	5,940	60.1%
Concrete machinery	2,436	3,810	56.4%	4,717	-19.2%	1,265	2,050	62.1%	1,171	1,760	50.3%
Crane machinery	3,625	7,256	100.2%	6,585	10.2%	1,602	3,541	121.0%	2,023	3,715	83.6%
Others	1,115	1,127	1.1%	1,655	-31.9%	598	662	10.7%	517	465	-10.1%
Agricultural machinery	102	68	-33.3%	98	-30.9%	95	91	-4.2%	7	(23)	-428.6%
Financial services	496	732	47.6%	547	33.9%	193	334	73.1%	303	398	31.4%
Gross profit (continuous operations)	7,774	12,993	67.1%	13,602	-4.5%	3,753	6,678	77.9%	4,021	6,315	57.1%
Environmental industry (discontinued)	0	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a
Total gross profit	7,774	12,993	67.1%	13,602	-4.5%	3,753	6,678	77.9%	4,021	6,315	57.1%
Gross margin			Change (ppt)		Diff (ppt)		C	Change (ppt)			Change (ppt)
Construction machinery	26.9%	29.7%	2.9	30.6%	-0.8	25.5%	29.8%	4.2	28.2%	29.7%	1.5
Concrete machinery	24.0%	27.4%	3.4	29.0%	-1.6	22.2%	27.4%	5.2	26.3%	27.4%	1.2
Crane machinery	29.1%	32.8%	3.7	33.0%	-0.2	28.3%	32.2%	3.8	29.7%	33.3%	3.7
Others	27.3%	22.8%	-4.5	27.0%	-4.2	27.0%	26.2%	(0.7)	27.6%	19.2%	(8.4)
Agricultural machinery	6.9%	4.3%	-2.6	6.8%	-2.5	10.2%	10.0%	(0.2)	1.3%	-3.4%	(4.7)
Financial services	99.8%	99.9%	0.1	100.0%	-0.1	100.0%	100.0%	0.0	99.7%	99.7%	0.1
Gross margin (continuous operations)	27.1%	30.0%	2.9	30.7%	-0.7	25.5%	30.0%	4.5	28.7%	30.0%	1.3
Environmental industry (discontinued)	-	-	n/a	-	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Average gross margin	27.1%	30.0%	2.9	30.7%	-0.7	25.5%	30.0%	4.5	28.7%	30.0%	1.3

Source: Company data, CMBIS

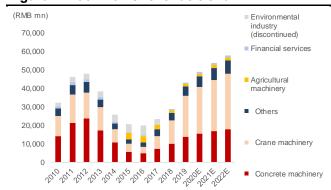


Figure 3: Change in key assumptions

	Old		New		Change	
	2020E	2021E	2020E	2021E	2020E	2021E
(RMB mn)						
Revenue						
Construction machinery	48,700	52,716	46,501	51,124	-5%	-3%
Concrete machinery	18,704	19,826	15,570	16,816	-17%	-15%
Crane machinery	22,948	24,784	25,248	27,772	10%	12%
Others	7,048	8,106	5,683	6,536	-19%	-19%
Agricultural machinery	1,447	1,476	1,583	1,615	9%	9%
Financial services	601	631	806	847	34%	34%
Total revenue	50,749	54,824	48,890	53,585	-4%	-2%
Revenue growth					Change in pp	t
Construction machinery	15.0%	8.2%	13.4%	9.9%	(1.6)	1.7
Concrete machinery	15.0%	6.0%	12.0%	8.0%	(3.0)	2.0
Crane machinery	15.0%	8.0%	14.0%	10.0%	(1.0)	2.0
Others	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	0.0	0.0
Agricultural machinery	0.0%	2.0%	0.0%	2.0%	0.0	0.0
Financial services	10.0%	5.0%	10.0%	5.0%	0.0	0.0
Total revenue growth	14.4%	8.0%	12.9%	9.6%	(1.6)	1.6
Gross margin					Change in pp	t
Construction machinery	30.4%	30.0%	29.6%	29.5%	-0.82	-0.49
Concrete machinery	29.0%	28.5%	27.3%	27.2%	-1.70	-1.30
Crane machinery	32.5%	32.0%	32.6%	32.5%	0.10	0.50
Others	27.5%	27.5%	22.7%	22.7%	-4.80	-4.80
Agricultural machinery	6.8%	6.9%	4.3%	4.3%	-2.50	-2.60
Financial services	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0.00	0.00
Average gross margin	30.6%	30.2%	30.0%	29.9%	-0.63	-0.32

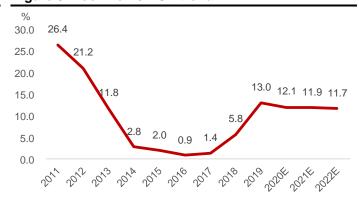
Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates

Figure 4: Zoomlion's revenue trend



Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates

Figure 5: Zoomlion's ROE trend



Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates



Financial Summary

Income statement						Cash flow summary					
YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E	YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Total revenue	28,697	43,307	48,890	53,585	57,723	Pretax profit	2,650	5,044	6,742	7,475	8,048
Cost of sales	-20,923	-30,314	-34,245	-37,586	-40,503	Finance cost	1,451	1,704	1,094	1,071	964
Gross profit	7,774	12,993	14,646	16,000	17,220	Interest income	-347	-539	-358	-409	-389
Other income	882	1,017	400	440	350	Profit or loss of associates	-222	-188	-254	-271	-288
S&D expenses	-2,379	-3,780	-3,667	-4,019	-4,329	Disposal of PP&E/business	-152	0	0	0	0
Administrative expenses	-2,063	-2,693	-3,178	-3,483	-3,752	Depreciation and amortization	837	867	884	916	934
R&D expenses	-581	-1,516	-978	-1,072	-1,154	Income tax paid	-431	-759	-1,733	-1,921	-2,068
EBIT	3,633	6,021	7,224	7,866	8,335	Change in working capital	1,152	442	-1,933	-3,355	-2,591
Net finance income/(cost)	-1,205	-1,165	-736	-662	-575	Others	-221	-603	0	0	0
Finance income	347	539	358	409	389	Cash flow from operation	4,717	5,968	4,443	3,506	4,609
Finance expenses	-1,552	-1,704	-1,094	-1,071	-964	Net capex on PP&E	-272	1,082	-1,046	-946	-600
Other gains/(losses)	0	0	0	0	0	Investment in JV/associates	-4	-301	0	0	0
Profit of JV and associates	222	188	254	271	288	Investment in subsidiaries	0	0	0	0	0
Pretax profit	2,650	5,044	6,742	7,475	8,048	Investment in intangible assets	-103	-95	-100	0	0
Income tax	-682	-759	-1,733	-1,921	-2,068	Dividend received	4	0	0	0	0
After tax profit	1,968	4,285	5,009	5,554	5,979	Interest received	347	539	358	409	389
MI/discontinued operation	63	96	50	56	60	Others	-7,214	8,759	0	0	0
Net profit	2,031	4,381	5,060	5,610	6,039	Cash flow from investing	-7,242	9,984	-788	-537	-211
Recurring net profit	2,199	5,023	5,060	5,610	6,039	Equity financing/(repurchase)	37	-2,145	1,074	0	0
						Net bank borrowings	6,817	-14,008	-1,000	100	-4,100
D&A	837	867	884	916	934	Dividend paid	-1,308	-1,801	0	-1,265	-1,402
EBITDA	4,470	6,888	8,108	8,782	9,269	Interest paid	-1,428	-1,707	-1,094	-1,071	-964
						Others	-16	13	0	0	0
						Cash flow from financing	4,102	-19,648	-1,021	-2,236	-6,467
						Change in cash	1,577	-3,696	2,634	733	-2,068
						Cash at beginning of the year	7,148	8,754	5,073	7,707	8,441
						Exchange and others	29	15	0	0	0
						Cash at the end of the year	8,754	5,073	7,707	8,441	6,372

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Pledged deposits 1,184 1,415 1,415 1,415 1,415 Current ratio (x) 1.6 1.6 1.8 1.7 1.8
Cash 8,754 5,073 7,707 8,441 6,372 Trade receivable turnover days 342 240 240 238 240
Current liabilities 39,623 34,569 34,457 39,211 39,347 Finance lease receivable turnover days 161 124 123 120 120
Trade and other payables 15,786 25,012 24,713 28,834 28,870 Inventory turnover days 161 128 118 118 118
Bank borrowings 22,044 7,312 7,112 7,212 7,312 Payable turnover days 268 246 265 260 260
Tax payable 151 186 186 186 186 Net debt / total equity (%) 33.6 31.3 19.1 16.2 11.1
Contract liabilities 1,602 1,934 2,321 2,855 2,855 Profitability (%)
Others 40 125 125 125 ROA 2.3 4.7 5.3 5.5 5.7
Non-current liabilities 15,065 17,965 17,165 17,165 12,965 Core ROE 5.8 13.0 12.1 11.9 11.7
Bank borrowings 13,645 14,515 13,715 13,715 9,515 Per share data
Deferred tax liabilities 429 455 455 455 EPS (RMB) 0.27 0.58 0.64 0.71 0.77
Others 991 2,995 2,995 2,995 2,995 Core EPS (RMB) 0.29 0.67 0.64 0.71 0.77
Equity 38,731 39,497 45,580 49,869 54,446 BVPS (RMB) 4.89 4.93 5.71 6.26 6.85
Shareholders' equity 38,164 38,827 44,960 49,305 53,942 DPS (RMB) 0.25 0.00 0.16 0.18 0.19
MI 567 670 620 564 505

Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates



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