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# **China Heavy-duty Truck Sector**

# Higher certainty driven by strong policy momentum

We remain positive on heavy-duty truck (HDT) sector as: (1) abundant funding from the issuance of local government bonds will continue to drive demand for construction trucks; (2) anti-illegal truck operation will further speed up the replacement cycle, offering support to the truck demand between 2020E-22E; (3) strong policy support to remove NES III trucks with certain regions starting to phase-out NES IV trucks. We revise up our HDT sales projection by 13% in 2020E and 8-10% in 2021E-22E. Maintain **BUY** rating on **Weichai (2338 HK, TP: HK\$19.2 / 000338 CH, TP: RMB16.8)** and **Sinotruk (3808 HK, TP: HK\$28.3)**.

- Abundant funding to provide solid support to the HDT demand throughout the year. The amount of local government bond issued surged 1.1x YoY to RMB1.2tn in Aug, taking the total amount to RMB4.96tn in 8M20 (+25% YoY). Excluding bonds for refinancing, the amount of new bond issuance reached RMB3.75tn in 8M20. While the spending in indemnificatory housing and renovation of shanty area in Jul/Aug reached 40%/23% of the total fund raised (versus a single-digit in 1H20), we expect the proportion will not further increase going forward, as infrastructure construction such as transportation and municipal projects remain the key focus.
- Anti-illegal truck operation underway. MIIT released a circular in Jul calling for the crackdown of illegal truck modification with a target to eliminate those illegal trucks by 2022 (<关于开展货车非法改装专项整治工作的通知>). Target vehicles include (1) hazardous goods trucks, (2) dump trucks, (3) semi-trailers, (4) light-duty trucks and (5) concrete mixers. According to the timetable, the operation has just entered the inspection stage (Sep 2020 Mar 2021). This will trigger a new round of replacement cycle.
- Strong policy support to remove NES III trucks with certain regions starting to phase-out NES IV trucks. Key provinces such as Shandong and Henan already set clear targets to phase out a total of ~430k units of NES III trucks. Of this volume, 70% will need to be achieved by end-2020. In Shandong, subsidies will be extended to 2021 (depends on city-level policies) for NES III elimination. Besides, in Hebei, certain cities have already set restriction on the operation of NES IV in some districts. We see rising possibility that the phase-out of NES IV will be accelerated, thereby offering upside to the HDT demand.
- Higher HDT sales projection. We revise up our 2020E/21E/22E HDT sales forecast by 13%/9%/10% to 1.54mn/1.38mn/1.40 units. We expect a 24% YoY sales growth in Sep-Dec 2020, after a 35% YoY growth in 8M20, which will take the full year growth to 31% YoY. Due to high base effect, we forecast HDT sales to drop 10% YoY in 2021E and stabilize in 2022E. That said, such sales volume still implies a sizable market and we expect large players to grow through market share gain going forward.
- Raised TP of Weichai Power. While we trimmed our 2020E earnings forecast by 5% due mainly to revised margin assumptions, we lifted our 2021E-22E forecast by 3-4% after incorporating our new industry forecast. Our SOTPbased TP is raised to HK\$19.2 (H) /RMB16.8 (A). We believe concerns on margin weakness is already in the price, while strong upcoming HDT sales data points and improvement in 3Q results will serve as near term catalyst.



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2020E

2021E

2022E



Figure 1: Change in indu	ustry HDT s	sales as	sumptions
HDT sales volume	Old	New	Change
(Units 000')			

1,360

1,271

1,275

1,539

1,380

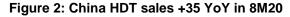
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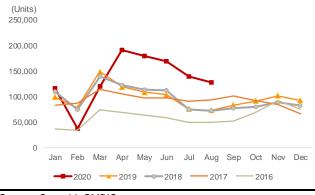
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Source: CMBIS estimates



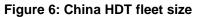


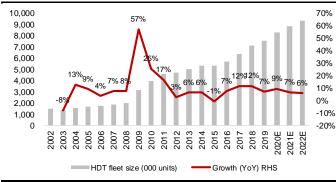
Source: Cvworld, CMBIS

#### Figure 4: China HDT sales growth by type (YoY)



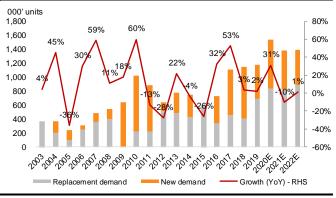
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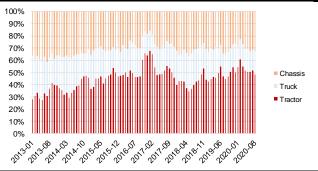
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# Figure 3: CMBIS HDT sales projection



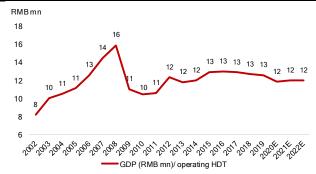


### Figure 5: China HDT sales breakdown by type



Source: Wind, CMBIS





Source: Wind, CMBIS estimates

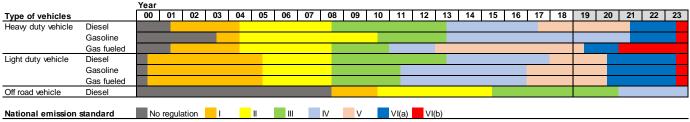


### Figure 8: HDT sales in China by company

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		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
<u>Sales volume (units)</u>									
Company									
FAW	一汽解放	52,540	11,655	25,578	57,539	43,317	38,963	35,858	27,593
Dongfeng	东风	17,285	3,962	22,970	35,974	36,389	34,248	28,122	26,742
CNHTC	中国重汽	13,244	8,737	20,508	25,718	25,233	24,942	19,976	21,238
SXQC	陕汽集团	10,088	3,835	19,933	24,476	25,798	26,460	19,125	20,616
Foton	北汽福田	8,938	3,184	11,581	18,526	18,511	17,180	15,071	12,289
JAC	安徽江淮	3,951	1,415	5,655	5,412	6,524	4,157	4,467	4,954
SAIC-IVECO Hongyan	上汽依维柯红岩	4,007	1,858	5,005	9,018	10,119	9,010	6,510	6,091
Da Yun	成都大运	2,053	739	2,622	3,819	3,029	3,915	2,934	3,338
CAMC	安徽华菱	1,500	922	2,200	2,983	2,353	2,260	1,853	1,820
Others	其他	3,042	1,263	3,928	7,689	7,964	8,152	5,418	5,362
Total		116,648	37,570	119,980	191,154	179,237	169,287	139,334	130,043
Change (YoY)									
Company									
FAW	一汽解放	57%	-43%	-30%	91%	46%	71%	95%	74%
Dongfeng	东风	28%	-70%	-27%	45%	63%	60%	73%	63%
CNHTC	中国重汽	-12%	-35%	-15%	45%	62%	47%	64%	91%
SXQC	陕汽集团	-20%	-70%	-18%	42%	64%	56%	83%	97%
Foton	北汽福田	61%	-45%	0%	111%	164%	137%	179%	112%
JAC	安徽江淮	-10%	-47%	28%	56%	89%	22%	99%	144%
SAIC-IVECO Hongyan	上汽依维柯红岩	-39%	-38%	-9%	47%	102%	77%	59%	52%
Da Yun	成都大运	-18%	-61%	-16%	68%	27%	4%	33%	50%
CAMC	安徽华菱	-30%	-48%	0%	44%	14%	109%	101%	44%
Others	其他	4%	-57%	-29%	28%	62%	65%	50%	34%
Average		18%	-52%	-19%	61%	66%	63%	84%	78%
Market share									
Company									
FAW	一汽解放	45%	31%	21%	30%	24%	23%	26%	21%
Dongfeng	东风	15%	11%	19%	19%	20%	20%	20%	21%
CNHTC	中国重汽	11%	23%	17%	13%	14%	15%	14%	16%
SXQC	陕汽集团	9%	10%	17%	13%	14%	16%	14%	16%
Foton	北汽福田	8%	8%	10%	10%	10%	10%	11%	9%
JAC	安徽江淮	3%	4%	5%	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%
SAIC-IVECO Hongyan	上汽依维柯红岩	3%	5%	4%	5%	6%	<u> </u>	5%	5%
Da Yun	成都大运	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%
CAMC	安徽华菱	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Others	其他	3%	3%	3%	<u></u> 4%	4%	5%	4%	4%
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: CNHTC is the parent co of Sinotruk. Shaanxi Automobile Group is the second largest shareholder of Shaanxi Heavy-duty Motor with 49% stake. Weichai is the largest shareholder of Shaanxi Heavy-duty Motor with 51% stake. Source: Wind, CVworld, CMBIS

### Figure 9: Timetable for the implementation of NES



Source: Ministry of Ecology and Environmental, CMBIS



Province	City	Subsidies provided (per unit of tr	uck)
Shandong	Ji'nan	1st stage: Jan-Dec 2020:	2nd stage: Jan-Jun 2021:
		HDT: RMB16-32k	HDT: RMB14-28k
		MDT: RMB9.6-16k	MDT: RMB7-14k
		LDT: RMB5.6-9.6k	LDT: RMB4.9-8.4k
	Qingdao	Eligible until end-Mar 2021	
	•	MDT-HDT (>8t): RMB25-50k	
		MDT (4.5-8.0t): RMB15-25k	
		LDT (<4.5t): RMB10k-15k	
	Beijing	1st stage: Apr-Dec 2020:	2nd stage: Jan-Dec 2021:
	201,9	Truck: RMB7-14k	Truck: RMB5.6-11.2k
Shaanxi		Eligible until end-2020	
onduna		HDT: RMB26k	
		MDT: RMB15k	
		LDT: RMB7k	
		Mini truck: RMB4k	
Henan	Luoyang	Diesel to gas: RMB6k 1st stage: Aug 2019-Jun 2020:	2nd stage: Jul-Dec 2020:
пепап	Luoyang	HDT: RMB2-7k	
			Reduced by 30% from that in 1st stage
Heinen		MDT: RMB1.5-5k	Reduced by 30% from that in 1st stage
Hainan	-	Eligible until end-2020	
		HDT: RMB25k	
		MDT: RMB18k	
		LDT: RMB13k	
		Mini truck: RMB7k	
Zhejiang	Rui'an	Apr 2019-Dec 2020	
		HDT: RMB25-37k	
		MDT: RMB17-25k	
		LDT: RMB10-14k	
	Ningbo	Feb 2019-Dec 2020	
		HDT: RMB28-57k	
		MDT: RMB13-22k	
		LDT: RMB6-15k	
	Wenzhou	Eligible until end-2020	
		HDT: RMB25-37k	
		MDT: RMB17-25k	
		LDT: RMB10-14k	
-	Shanghai	Oct 2019 - Dec 2020	
	onungnun	HDT: RMB22-68k	
		MDT: RMB12-39k	
		LDT: RMB11-35k	
		Mini truck: RMB3-9k	
Jiangsu	Nanjing	Eligible until end-2020	
Jianysu	Nanjing	•	
		HDT: RMB10-38k	
		MDT: RMB6-27k	
		LDT: RMB4-16k	

Source: Local government websites, Cvworld, CMBIS

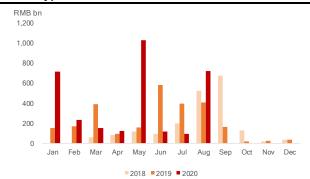
## Figure 11: Timetable for anti-illegal truck operation

Period	Stage	
Jul-Aug 2020	Preparation	
Sep 2020 - Mar 2021	Inspection	
Apr-May 2021	Summary and proposal	
End-2022	To basically eliminate illegal truck modification	

Source: Ministry of Industry and Information Technology <关于开展货车非法改装专项整治工作的通知>, CMBIS

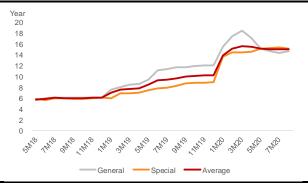


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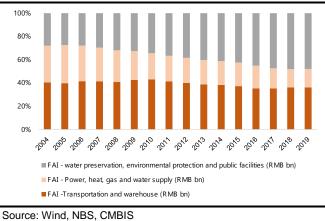
Source: Ministry of Finance, CMBIS

#### Figure 14: Rising local gov't bond average duration to match with the long payback period of infrastructure projects

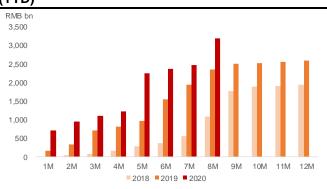


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## Figure 16: Breakdown of infrastructure FAI

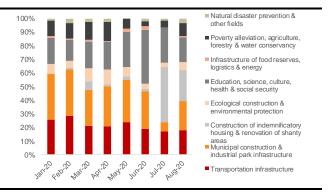


# Figure 12: Local gov't special bond issue amount Figure 13: Local gov't special bond issue amount (YTD)

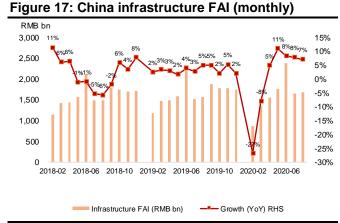


Source: Ministry of Finance, CMBIS

## Figure 15: Investment targets of the newly issued local gov't bonds



Source: Ministry of Finance, CMBIS estimates



Source: Wind, NBS, CMBIS

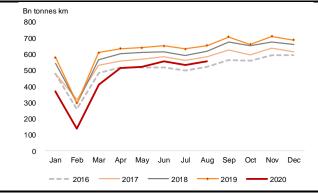


Figure 18: China property development FAI



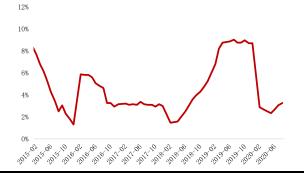
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# Figure 20: China highway freight transport turnover (monthly)



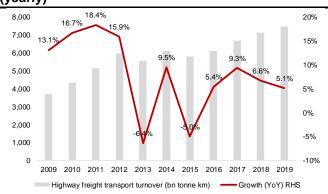
Source: NBS, Wind, CMBIS

# Figure 19: Area under construction (Growth YoY)



Source: NBS, Wind, CMBIS

# Figure 21: China highway freight transport turnover (yearly)



Source: Wind, NBS, CMBIS

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# Weichai Power-H (2338 HK)

# A beneficiary of industry consolidation

Weichai is set to become a major beneficiary upon the implementation of NES VI(a) in mid-2021E, on the back of its leading technology. While we trimmed our 2020E earnings forecast by 5% due mainly to revised margin assumptions, we lifted our 2021E-22E forecast by 3-4% after incorporating our new industry forecast. Our SOTP-based TP is raised to HK\$19.2 from HK\$18.6. We believe concerns on margin weakness is already in the price, while strong upcoming HDT sales data points and improvement in 3Q results will serve as near term catalyst. Maintain **BUY**.

- Expect an acceleration of industry consolidation upon the implementation of NES VI (a). We believe the HDT engine industry will further consolidate after the implementation of the new strict emission standard. Weichai is set to benefit given its leading technology driven by high commitment in R&D over the past decade. Weichai recently announced the first commercial diesel engine in the world with thermal efficiency of >50%, above the industry average of ~46%.
- Gross margin of gas engine recovered. Weichai's gross margin in 2Q20 was hurt by the high price of precious metals that used in the production of gas engine. Weichai has already reduced the use of such metals in order to reduce cost. At present, the gross margin of gas engine has already returned to a level similar to that of diesel engine, based on our understanding.
- Change in assumptions. We revise up Weichai's total engine sales volume projection by 4-6% in 2020E-22E. Given that Weichai is rapidly expanding its non-road engine business, we fine-tuned our engine segment margin by -1 to -2ppt as we expect non-road engines will carry lower margin at the beginning stage. Our current forecast has yet to include the potential contribution from fuel cell batteries.
- Risk factors: (1) unexpected slowdown of HDT and engine demand; (2) rebound of COVID-19 cases in overseas; (3) technology risk.

#### Earnings Summary

(YE 31 Dec)	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Revenue (RMB mn)	159,256	174,361	183,616	194,001	202,659
YoY growth (%)	5.1	9.5	5.3	5.7	4.5
Net income (RMB mn)	8,658	9,105	9,595	11,494	12,253
EPS (RMB)	1.08	1.15	1.21	1.45	1.54
YoY growth (%)	27.2	6.0	5.4	19.8	6.6
Consensus EPS (RMB)	n/a	n/a	1.23	1.41	1.50
P/E (x)	12.1	11.7	10.9	9.1	8.5
EV / EBITDA (x)	5.6	5.2	5.3	4.5	4.3
Р/В (х)	2.6	2.4	2.0	1.7	1.5
Yield (%)	3.5	2.1	3.7	4.4	4.7
ROE (%)	23.2	21.5	19.6	20.4	19.1
Net gearing (%)	Net cash				

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIS estimates



# **BUY (Maintain)**

Target Price	HK\$19.20
(Previous TP	HK\$18.60)
Up/Downside	+28%
<b>Current Price</b>	HK\$15.04

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#### Stock Data

Mkt Cap (HK\$ mn)	131,033
Avg 3 mths t/o (HK\$ mn)	178
52w High/Low (HK\$)	18.6/10.80
Total Issued Shares (mn)	1,934 (H)
	5,991 (A)

Source: Bloomberg

Shareholding Structure	
Weichai Holdings Group	16.8%
Weifang Investment Group	3.7%
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Weifang Investment Group	3.7%
Free float (H-share)	24.2%
Free float (A-share)	55.3%
Source: HKEx	

#### **Share Performance**

	Absolute	Relative
1-mth	-8.3%	-0.3%
3-mth	4.9%	10.9%
6-mth	16.0%	17.2%
Source: Bloomberg	3	

#### 12-mth Price Performance



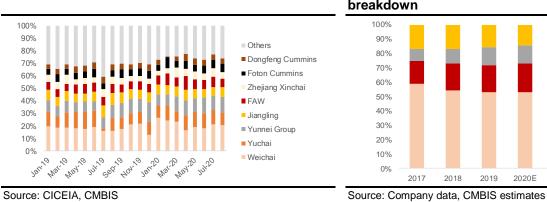
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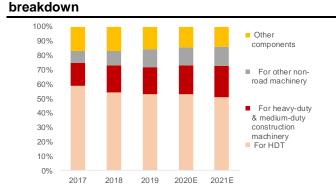
#### Auditor: Ernst & Young

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## Figure 22: China multi-cylinder engine market share





engine

Source: CICEIA, CMBIS

#### Figure 24: Change in key assumptions

Change in key assumptions		2020E			2021E			2022E	
Sales volume (unit)	Old	New	Change	Old	New	Change	Old	New	Change
Engine total	843,768	880,760	4.4%	891,033	935,597	5.0%	935,696	994,954	6.3%
HDT (Shaanxi Heavy-duty Motor)	180,000	183,000	1.7%	177,000	178,000	0.6%	175,000	180,000	2.9%
Gear box (Shaanxi Fast Gear Company)	1,100,000	1,100,000	0.0%	1,100,000	1,100,000	0.0%	1,130,000	1,130,000	0.0%
(RMB mn)									
Revenue									
Diesel engines	56,617	58,747	3.8%	59,788	62,404	4.4%	62,785	66,363	5.7%
Automobiles and major components	78,080	79,033	1.2%	77,897	78,725	1.1%	79,605	80,696	1.4%
Forklift trucks & supply chain solution	53,742	61,803	15.0%	61,803	68,601	11.0%	65,511	72,031	10.0%
Intersegment sales	-14,133	-15,967	13.0%	-14,962	-15,730	5.1%	-15,593	-16,432	5.4%
Total revenue	174,306	183,616	5.3%	184,527	194,001	5.1%	192,309	202,659	5.4%
Segment profit									
Diesel engines	9,512	8,812	-7.4%	10,044	9,860	-1.8%	10,548	10,485	-0.6%
Automobiles and major components	3,123	2,529	-19.0%	3,116	2,834	-9.0%	3,184	2,905	-8.8%
Forklift trucks & supply chain solution	1,720	1,978	15.0%	3,585	3,979	11.0%	3,865	4,178	8.1%
Intersegment sales	-141	-160	13.0%	-150	-157	5.1%	-156	-164	5.4%
Total segment profit	14,213	13,159	-7.4%	16,595	16,516	-0.5%	17,441	17,404	-0.2%
Segment margin		Ch	ange (ppt)		Ch	ange (ppt)		Ch	ange (ppt)
Diesel engines	16.8%	15.0%	-1.8	16.8%	15.8%	-1.0	16.8%	15.8%	-1.0
Automobiles and major components	4.0%	3.2%	-0.8	4.0%	3.6%	-0.4	4.0%	3.6%	-0.4
Forklift trucks & supply chain solution	3.2%	3.2%	0.0	5.8%	5.8%	0.0	5.9%	5.8%	-0.1
Average	8.2%	7.2%	-1.0	9.0%	8.5%	-0.5	9.1%	8.6%	-0.5

Figure

23:

Weichai's

Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates

### Figure 25: SOTP valuation

SOTP valuation	Valuation methodology	Target multiple	EBITDA	Estimated EV	Net cash / (Net debt)	Equity value
		(x)	2020E			
			(RMB mn)	(RMB mn)		(RMB mn)
Weichai core business	EV/EBITDA	6	13,475	80,848	21,189	102,037
KION Group	Proportionate market value	-	-	-		30,563
Share of JV/associates	PB	2.5	-	-	-	11,778
Minority interest (Weichai	core business)					-10,835
Total NAV						133,542
NAV per share (RMB)						16.8
NAV per share (HK\$)						19.2

Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates



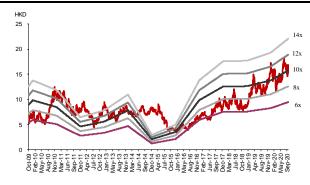


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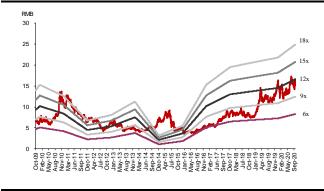


### Figure 26: Weichai Power-H P/E band



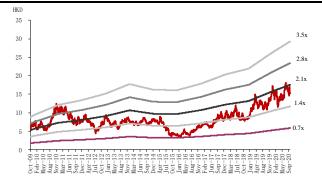
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#### Figure 28: Wechai Power-A P/E band



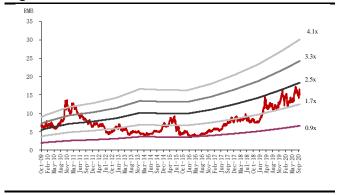
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## Figure 27: Weichai Power-H P/B band



Source: Bloomberg, Company data, CMBIS estimates

### Figure 29: Weichai Power-A P/B band



Source: Bloomberg, Company data, CMBIS estimates



# **Financial Summary**

# Income statement

Income statement					
YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Revenue	159,256	174,361	183,616	194,001	202,659
Cost of sales	-123,686	-136,353	-146,525	-153,648	-160,506
Gross profit	35,569	38,008	37,090	40,352	42,153
Operating expenses	-21,757	-23,586	-23,069	-22,961	-23,872
EBIT	13,812	14,422	14,021	17,391	18,281
Other expenses	-52	-94	-220	-233	-243
Net finance cost	-75	-220	-20	246	527
Finance income and others	1,060	1,067	1,279	1,518	1,782
Finance expenses	-1,135	-1,288	-1,299	-1,272	-1,255
profit of JV & associates	174	244	238	243	248
Pretax profit	13,858	14,352	14,019	17,647	18,813
Income tax	-2,233	-2,445	-2,173	-2,912	-3,104
After tax profit	11,626	11,907	11,846	14,735	15,709
МІ	-2,968	-2,802	-2,251	-3,242	-3,456
Net profit	8,658	9,105	9,595	11,494	12,253
D&A	7,404	8,071	8,144	8,798	9,453
EBITDA	21,216	22,493	22,165	26,189	27,734

# **Cash flow summary**

YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Pretax profit	13,858	14,352	14,019	17,647	18,813
Finance cost	1,135	1,288	1,299	1,272	1,255
Interest income	-1,060	-1,067	-1,279	-1,518	-1,782
Share of profit or loss of associates	-174	-244	-238	-243	-248
Depreciation	5,321	6,188	6,218	6,872	7,527
Amortization of intangible assets	2,016	1,820	1,863	1,863	1,863
Income tax paid	-2,233	-2,445	-2,173	-2,912	-3,104
Change in working capital	2,363	2,603	-785	288	-547
Others	1,035	1,341	1,342	1,581	1,845
Cash flow from operation	22,262	23,835	20,265	24,850	25,622
Net capex on PP&E	-1,952	-6,335	-7,000	-8,500	-8,500
Investment in JV/associates	-1,655	-243	0	0	0
Investment in subsidiaries	0	0	0	0	0
Dividend received	181	135	143	146	149
Others	-3,754	-1,947	0	0	0
Cash flow from investing	-7,181	-8,391	-6,857	-8,354	-8,351
Proceeds from equity financing	0	0	0	0	0
Net bank borrowings	635	1,137	-900	-400	-400
Dividend paid	-4,039	-4,851	-2,269	-3,838	-4,597
Interest paid	0	0	-1,299	-1,272	-1,255
Others	-3,577	-3,853	0	0	0
Cash flow from financing	-6,980	-7,567	-4,468	-5,510	-6,252
Change in cash	8,100	7,877	8,940	10,986	11,019
Cash at beginning of the year	34,222	38,210	48,818	57,758	68,744
Exchange gains/(losses) and others	-4,112	2,731	0	0	0
Cash at the end of the year	38,210	48,818	57,758	68,744	79,763

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Balance sheet						Key ratios					
YE 31 Dec (RMB mn)	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E	YE 31 Dec	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Non-current assets	97,171	110,647	109,661	109,523	108,733	Sales mix (%)					
PP&E	29,453	26,316	27,098	28,726	29,700	Diesel engines	28.2	28.7	32.0	32.2	32.7
Investment in JV/associates	4,464	4,711	4,806	4,903	5,002	Automobiles and major components	42.0	41.0	43.0	40.6	39.8
Goodwill	23,037	23,823	23,823	23,823	23,823	Forklift trucks & supply chain solution	38.0	38.5	33.7	35.4	35.5
Long term receivables	6,483	8,448	8,448	8,448	8,448	Intersegment sales	(8.2)	(8.2)	(8.7)	(8.1)	(8.1)
Intangible assets	23,299	23,436	21,573	19,710	17,847	Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Others	10,434	23,914	23,914	23,914	23,914	Profit & loss ratio (%)					
Current assets	108,105	126,185	135,412	150,034	160,969	Gross margin	22.3	21.8	20.2	20.8	20.8
Prepayments	1,109	997	934	871	808	EBIT margin	8.7	8.3	7.6	9.0	9.0
Inventories	20,674	24,718	23,455	27,060	25,710	After tax profit margin	7.3	6.8	6.5	7.6	7.8
Trade receivables	13,155	14,285	15,898	15,992	17,321	Growth (%)					
Notes receivables	24,993	26,458	26,458	26,458	26,458	Revenue	5.1	9.5	5.3	5.7	4.5
Others	9,964	10,910	10,910	10,910	10,910	Gross profit	7.5	6.9	(2.4)	8.8	4.5
Cash	38,210	48,818	57,758	68,744	79,763	EBIT	23.4	4.4	(2.8)	24.0	5.1
						Net profit	27.2	5.2	5.4	19.8	6.6
Current liabilities	88,617	105,877	105,542	109,629	109,161	Balance sheet ratio					
Trade and bills payables	30,869	36,749	36,313	40,300	39,733	Current ratio (x)	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5
Notes payable	15,925	22,446	22,446	22,446	22,446	Receivable turnover days	31	29	30	30	30
Bank borrowings	12,371	15,013	15,113	15,213	15,313	Inventory turnover days	60	61	60	60	60
Others	29,451	31,669	31,669	31,669	31,669	Payable turnover days	91	91	91	91	91
Non-current liabilities	54,400	61,180	60,180	59,680	59,180	Net debt / total equity (%)	Net cash				
Bank borrowings	23,174	21,669	20,669	20,169	19,669	Profitability (%)					
Long term payables	19,475	16,325	16,325	16,325	16,325	ROA	5.9	5.4	4.9	5.8	5.9
Others	11,751	23,186	23,186	23,186	23,186	ROE	23.2	21.5	19.6	20.4	19.1
Equity	62,259	69,775	79,352	90,249	101,361	Per share data					
Shareholders' equity	39,314	45,224	52,550	60,206	67,861	EPS (RMB)	1.08	1.15	1.21	1.45	1.54
MI	22,946	24,551	26,802	30,043	33,499	BVPS (RMB)	4.96	5.70	6.62	7.59	8.55
						DPS (RMB)	0.46	0.29	0.48	0.58	0.62

Source: Company data, CMBIS estimates

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# Weichai Power-A (000338 CH)

# A beneficiary of industry consolidation

Weichai is set to become a major beneficiary upon the implementation of NES VI(a) in mid-2021E, on the back of its leading technology. While we trimmed our 2020E earnings forecast by 5% due mainly to revised margin assumptions, we lifted our 2021E-22E forecast by 3-4% after incorporating our new industry forecast. Our SOTP-based TP is raised to RMB16.8 from RMB16.6. We believe concerns on margin weakness is already in the price, while strong upcoming HDT sales data points and improvement in 3Q results will serve as near term catalyst. Maintain **BUY**.

- Expect an acceleration of industry consolidation upon the implementation of NES VI (a). We believe the HDT engine industry will further consolidate after the implementation of the new strict emission standard. Weichai is set to benefit given its leading technology driven by high commitment in R&D over the past decade. Weichai recently announced the first commercial diesel engine in the world with thermal efficiency of >50%, above the industry average of ~46%.
- Gross margin of gas engine recovered. Weichai's gross margin in 2Q20 was hurt by the high price of precious metals that used in the production of gas engine. Weichai has already reduced the use of such metals in order to reduce cost. At present, the gross margin of gas engine has already returned to a level similar to that of diesel engine, based on our understanding.
- Change in assumptions. We revise up Weichai's total engine sales volume projection by 4-6% in 2020E-22E. Given that Weichai is rapidly expanding its non-road engine business, we fine-tuned our engine segment margin by -1 to -2ppt as we expect non-road engines will carry lower margin at the beginning stage. Our current forecast has yet to include the potential contribution from fuel cell batteries.
- Risk factors: (1) unexpected slowdown of HDT and engine demand; (2) rebound of COVID-19 cases in overseas; (3) technology risk.

#### **Earnings Summary**

(YE 31 Dec)	FY18A	FY19A	FY20E	FY21E	FY22E
Revenue (RMB mn)	159,256	174,361	183,616	194,001	202,659
YoY growth (%)	5.1	9.5	5.3	5.7	4.5
Net income (RMB mn)	8,658	9,105	9,595	11,494	12,253
EPS (RMB)	1.08	1.15	1.21	1.45	1.54
YoY growth (%)	27.2	6.0	5.4	19.8	6.6
Consensus EPS (RMB)	n/a	n/a	1.23	1.41	1.50
P/E (x)	13.7	13.3	12.4	10.3	9.7
EV / EBITDA (x)	6.2	5.9	6.0	5.0	4.8
P/B (x)	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7
Yield (%)	3.1	1.9	3.2	3.9	4.1
ROE (%)	23.2	21.5	19.6	20.4	19.1
Net gearing (%)	Net cash				

Source: Company data, Bloomberg, CMBIS estimates



# **BUY (Maintain)**

Target Price	RMB16.80
(Previous TP	RMB16.60)
Up/Downside	+12%
Current Price	RMB14.95

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Mkt Cap (RMB mn)	115,269
Avg 3 mths t/o (RMB mn)	902
52w High/Low (RMB)	17.40/11.03
Total Issued Shares (mn)	1,934 (H)
	5,991 (A)

Source: Bloomberg

Shareholding Structure	
Weichai Holdings Group	16.8%
Weifang Investment Group	3.7%
Free float (H-share)	24.2%
Free float (A-share)	55.3%
Source: HKEx	

#### Share Performance

	Absolute	Relative
1-mth	-3.2%	0.2%
3-mth	10.6%	0.1%
6-mth	18.6%	-3.7%
Source: Bloomberg	g	

#### 12-mth Price Performance



Source: Bloomberg

#### Auditor: Ernst & Young

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