## Genting Malaysia (GENM MK)

# 'Complicated' 2Q23 but we are keeping faith

#### Maintain BUY with a lower DCF-TP of MYR2.77 (-3%)

Core net profit missed but dividends were within our expectations. Long term, lower EBITDA margins from Empire Resorts will more or less be offset by higher EBITDA margins from RWG. Thus, we trim our long term EPS by 3% and DCF-TP to MYR2.77 from MYR2.85. Though there is only 11% upside currently, we maintain our BUY call as we still believe that GENM is in a good position to win a full casino license in New York City in 1H24 that we estimate will add >MYR0.53/shr to our DCF-TP (link).

#### Earnings below but dividends within expectations

2Q23 core net profit of MYR120.8m (+13% YoY, +186% QoQ) brought 6MFY23 core net profit to MYR163.0m (+1,014% YoY) which was below our expectations at 24% of our FY estimate. On closer inspection, the earnings shortfall was due to one-off repair and maintenance (R&M) expenses and seasonally lower charters for its yacht subsumed under 'others'. Yet, the interim DPS of 6sen (+0% YoY) was in-line. GENM traditionally declares more DPS in the 2H. We expect 2H23 DPS of 9sen (+0% YoY).

#### Mixed bag operations wise

GENM assured us that the R&M expenses will not recur and charters have resumed. We note also that share of losses from Empire Resorts (Not Listed) are wider-than-expected by 105% due to lower-than-expected 1H23 EBITDA margin of 5% (2Q23: 8%, MIBG forecast: 15%) due to start-up losses at Resorts World Hudson Valley. Yet, 1H23 RWG EBITDA margin of 33% came as a positive surprise to us (MIBG forecast: 31%) as GENM credited aggressive cost rationalisation measures.

#### Trim long term EPS and TP by 3%

We trim our FY23E/FY24E/FY25E EPS by 14%/3%/3% as we:- (i) impute lower FY23E/FY24E/FY25E Empire Resorts EBITDA margin of 5%/8%/8% (15% p.a. previously); but (ii) raise FY23E/FY24E/FY25E RWG EBITDA margin by 1ppt p.a. to 32%/33%/33%. Seeing that we trim our long term EPS by 3%, we trim our DCF-TP by a similar 3% to MYR2.77 from MYR2.85. Going into 2H23, we expect earnings to improve sequentially on seasonally higher visitor arrivals.

FYE Dec (MYR m)	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Revenue	4,157	8,603	9,718	11,024	11,382
EBITDA	532	2,378	2,816	3,392	3,551
Core net profit	(915)	236	576	949	1,062
Core FDEPS (sen)	(16.2)	4.2	10.2	16.8	18.7
Core FDEPS growth(%)	nm	nm	143.9	64.8	11.8
Net DPS (sen)	9.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	17.0
Core FD P/E (x)	nm	64.6	25.8	15.6	14.0
P/BV (x)	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Net dividend yield (%)	3.1	5.6	5.7	5.7	6.5
ROAE (%)	(6.6)	(3.9)	4.6	7.6	8.5
ROAA (%)	(3.1)	0.8	2.1	3.4	3.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	44.2	9.6	7.7	6.0	5.4
Net gearing (%) (incl perps)	69.0	82.6	78.4	66.3	55.3
Consensus net profit	-	-	667	978	1,151
MIBG vs. Consensus (%)	-	-	(13.7)	(2.9)	(7.8)

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## BUY

Share Price	MYR 2.62
12m Price Target	MYR 2.77 (+11%)
Previous Price Target	MYR 2.85

#### **Company Description**

Owns and operates Resorts World Genting, the only integrated resort in Malaysia. Also owns casinos in the UK, US and Bahamas.

#### Statistics

52w high/low (MYR)	3.00/2.44
3m avg turnover (USDm)	3.1
Free float (%)	47.3
Issued shares (m)	5,938
Market capitalisation	MYR15.6B
	USD3.3B
Major shareholders:	
Genting Bhd.	47.7%
Genting Malaysia Bhd.	4.6%
The Vanguard Group, Inc.	1.5%

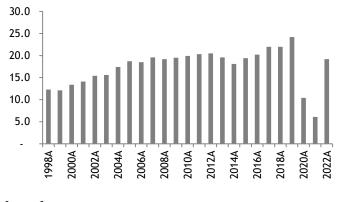


	-1M	-3M	-12M
Absolute (%)	3	(0)	(10)
Relative to index (%)	2	(2)	(8)
Source: FactSet			

## Value Proposition

- Owns and operates Resorts World Genting (RWG), Genting United Kingdom (GENUK), Resorts World New York City (RWNYC) and Resorts World Bimini (RWB).
- RWG is ~80% of group earnings and resilient. RWG is expanding via the Genting Integrated Tourism Plan (GITP).
- GITP involves 1,536 hotel rooms, outdoor theme park, indoor theme park, mall, plaza and new cable car line.
- ROEs fell to <10% after 2013, dragged by start-up losses at RWB.
- ROE may remain below WACC due to the acquisition of the remaining 24% shareholding in Empire Resorts.

#### RWG visitor arrivals (m)

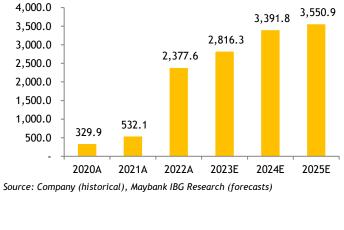


Source: Company

## **Financial Metrics**

- Key financial metric is EBITDA. Most casino operators are valued on EV/EBITDA basis.
- Forecast FY23E EBITDA to grow by 18% YoY as more rooms for gamblers are made available at RWG.
- Forecast FY24E EBITDA to grow by another 20% YoY as the COVID-19 pandemic fully subsides.
- We expect balance sheet to remain in net debt as GENM has been more progressive in paying dividends.

#### EBITDA (MYRm)



## **Price Drivers**

#### Historical share price trend



Source: Company, Maybank IBG Research

- 1. National Budget 2019 in Nov 2018 proposed for RWG casino duty rate to be hiked by 10ppts from 1 Jan 2019.
- 2. Fox withdrew RWG's right to Fox-brand its outdoor theme park.
- 3. COVID-19 pandemic spreads in Malaysia. RWG was shut from 18 Mar 2020 to 18 Jun 2020.
- 4. Pfizer and AstraZeneca announced that they developed effective COVID-19 vaccines.
- 5. RWG reopened from the Full Movement Control Order on 30 Sep 2021.

## Swing Factors

## Upside

- VIP win rate if it is above theoretical levels, it can positively influence earnings.
- VIP: mass market mix tilt towards mass market will expand margins due to less commissions and rebates.
- Higher visitor arrivals to RWG the purpose of the GITP is to attract more high margin mass market gamblers.

## Downside

- Related party transactions (RPT) GENM has a history of executing RPTs that do not favour minority shareholders.
- Regional expansion new jurisdictions often require high capex commitments without guaranteeing returns.
- High foreign shareholding of 15.6% as at end-2Q23 poses downside risk to share price in a weak market.

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#### Figure 1: Summary Results Table

FY Dec (MYRm)	2Q23	2Q22	% YoY	1Q23	% QoQ	6M23	6M22	% YoY
Turnover	2,474.5	2,175.6	13.7	2,283.5	8.4	4,758.0	3,896.9	22.1
Operating expenses	(1,793.4)	(1,522.9)	17.8	(1,661.1)	8.0	(3,454.5)	(2,817.9)	22.6
EBITDA	681.1	652.7	4.4	622.4	9.4	1,303.5	1,079.1	20.8
Depreciation & amortisation	(309.2)	(311.5)	(0.7)	(308.6)	0.2	(617.8)	(608.1)	1.6
EBIT	371.9	341.2	9.0	313.8	18.5	685.7	471.0	45.6
Interest expense	(129.6)	(131.3)	(1.3)	(135.4)	(4.3)	(265.0)	(293.2)	(9.6)
Associates	(73.3)	(41.9)	74.9	(67.5)	8.6	(140.8)	(91.2)	54.4
Exceptional items	(73.6)	(117.4)	(37.3)	(69.6)	5.8	(143.2)	(152.0)	(5.8)
Pre-tax profit	95.4	50.6	88.4	41.3	131.0	136.7	(65.5)	(308.8)
Tax	(65.1)	(92.9)	(29.9)	(86.7)	(24.9)	(151.8)	(124.7)	21.7
Minority interest	16.8	31.4	(46.4)	18.0	(6.6)	34.9	52.8	(33.9)
Net profit	47.1	(10.9)	N/M	(27.4)	(272.1)	19.7	(137.4)	(114.4)
Net profit Ex El	120.8	106.5	13.4	42.2	186.1	163.0	14.6	N/M
	2Q23	2Q22	% YoY	1Q23	% QoQ	6M23	6M22	% ΥοΥ
EBITDA margin (%)	27.5	30.0	(2.5)	27.3	0.3	27.4	27.7	(0.3)
Tax rate (%)	68.3	183.5	(115.3)	210.0	(141.7)	111.1	(190.5)	301.6
Segmental Results Table								
FY Dec (RM m)	2Q23	2Q22	% ΥοΥ	1Q23	% QoQ	6M23	6M22	% YoY
Turnover	2,474.5	2,175.6	13.7	2,283.5	8.4	4,758.0	3,896.9	22.1
- Malaysia	1,533.2	1,310.3	17.0	1,402.6	9.3	2,935.8	2,230.3	31.6
- United Kingdom & Egypt	390.2	381.2	2.4	352.5	10.7	742.7	776.5	(4.4)
- United States of America & Bahamas	475.5	417.2	14.0	460.7	3.2	936.2	775.1	20.8
- Property	24.5	21.9	11.9	26.5	(7.5)	51.0	44.3	15.1
- Others	51.1	45.0	13.6	41.2	24.0	92.3	70.7	30.6
EBITDA	681.1	652.7	4.4	622.4	9.4	1,303.5	1,079.0	20.8
- Malaysia	532.3	459.1	15.9	436.5	21.9	968.8	722.0	34.2
- United Kingdom & Egypt	59.5	81.3	(26.8)	42.4	40.3	101.9	166.0	(38.6)
- United States of America & Bahamas	146.0	122.9	18.8	138.4	5.5	284.4	200.9	41.6
- Property	1.6	2.1	(23.8)	8.7	(81.6)	10.3	11.6	(11.2)
- Others	(58.3)	(12.7)	358.1	(3.6)	N/M	(61.9)	(21.5)	187.8
EBITDA margin	27.5	30.0	(2.5)	27.3	0.3	27.4	27.7	(0.3)
- Malaysia	34.7	35.0	(0.3)	31.1	3.6	33.0	32.4	0.6
- United Kingdom	15.2	21.3	(6.1)	12.0	3.2	13.7	21.4	(7.7)
- United States of America	30.7	29.5	1.2	30.0	0.7	30.4	25.9	4.5
- Property	6.5	9.6	(3.1)	32.8	(26.3)	20.2	26.2	(6.0)
- Others	(114.0)	(28.3)	(85.8)	(8.8)	(105.2)	(67.0)	(30.4)	(36.6)

Source: Maybank IBG Research

#### **Results analysis**

- 2Q23 core net profit was up 13% YoY largely due to RWG welcoming 0.5m more visitors YoY (2Q23: 5.4m, 2Q22: 4.9m).
- 2Q23 core net profit was up 186% QoQ largely due to RWG welcoming 0.7m more visitors QoQ (2Q23: 5.4m, 1Q23: 4.7m).
- Recall that 1Q23 RWG visitor arrivals were subdued on lingering fears over the Batang Kali landslide that occurred on 16 Dec 2022.
- 6M23 core net profit surged to MYR163.0m from breakeven in 6M22 largely due to RWG welcoming 1.5m more visitors YoY (6M23: 10.1m, 6M22: 8.6m).
- Recall that most COVID-19 related restrictions were lifted in Apr 2022 as Malaysia reached the endemic phase of the pandemic then.

#### Figure 2: GENM DCF-based valuation

	Value	Value/sh	Comments
	MYRm	MYR	
Resorts World Genting	19,173.4	3.38	WACC: 11.8%, g: 2%
Resorts World New York City	3,781.3	0.67	40-year DCF @11.8%
Resorts World Bimini	-	-	Nil
Genting UK	947.7	0.17	WACC: 11.8%, g: 0%
Other investment securities	106.7	0.02	Cost
Malaysian property	483.2	0.09	Cost
Miami property	1,945.0	0.34	Cost
Equanimity	428.9	0.08	End-FY23E BVPS
Empire Resorts	-	-	Nil
Net debt ex-finance lease liabilities	(8,405.9)	(1.48)	End-FY23E ex-lease liabilities
(15% discount)	(2,769.0)	(0.49)	
Equity value	15,691.2	2.77	

Source: Maybank IBG Research

FYE 31 Dec	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Key Metrics					
P/E (reported) (x)	nm	nm	25.8	15.6	14.0
Core P/E (x)	nm	64.6	25.8	15.6	14.0
Core FD P/E (x)	nm	64.6	25.8	15.6	14.0
P/BV (x)	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
P/NTA (x)	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
Net dividend yield (%)	3.1	5.6	5.7	5.7	6.5
FCF yield (%)	nm	10.1	14.2	17.9	17.5
EV/EBITDA (x)	44.2	9.6	7.7	6.0	5.4
EV/EBIT (x)	nm	20.1	13.9	9.6	8.4
INCOME STATEMENT (MYR m)					
Revenue	4,156.7	8,603.0	9,717.9	11,024.5	11,382.3
EBITDA	532.1	2,377.6	2,816.3	3,391.8	3,550.9
Depreciation	(1,106.3)	(1,238.8)	(1,251.3)	(1,251.3)	(1,251.3)
EBIT	(574.2)	1,138.8	1,565.0	2,140.5	2,299.6
Net interest income /(exp)	(357.6)	(563.0)	(505.1)	(476.5)	(427.4)
Associates & JV	(183.7)	(153.3)	(252.9)	(224.1)	(224.1)
Exceptionals	(32.2)	(764.7)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pretax profit	(1,147.7)	(342.2)	807.0	1,439.9	1,648.1
Income tax	96.7	(325.2)	(271.3)	(471.8)	(508.7)
Minorities	104.2	147.4	40.3	(18.7)	(77.7)
Reported net profit	(946.8)	(520.0)	576.0	949.4	1,061.7
Core net profit	(915.1)	235.9	576.0	949.4	1,061.7
BALANCE SHEET (MYR m)					
Cash & Short Term Investments	4,641.4	3,044.3	2,817.2	4,062.1	3,394.5
Accounts receivable	717.4	542.1	590.2	669.6	691.3
Inventory	126.6	150.6	115.1	130.6	134.9
Property, Plant & Equip (net)	16,007.9	15,380.8	14,575.5	13,819.5	13,075.2
Intangible assets	4,183.4	4,083.6	4,083.6	4,083.6	4,083.6
Investment in Associates & JVs	1,728.4	2,105.0	1,852.1	1,627.9	1,403.8
Other assets	3,005.2	3,324.6	3,324.6	3,324.6	3,324.6
Total assets	30,410.3	28,631.0	27,358.4	27,718.0	26,107.8
ST interest bearing debt	489.7	973.8	81.2	1,870.4	1,870.4
Accounts payable	2,483.0	2,666.5	2,645.4	2,925.7	3,001.9
LT interest bearing debt	13,296.7	11,926.2	11,845.0	9,974.6	8,104.1
Other liabilities	888.0	1,136.0	1,172.0	1,214.0	1,222.0
Total Liabilities	17,157.7	16,702.0	15,743.4	15,984.7	14,198.2
Shareholders Equity	13,783.8	12,635.9	12,362.1	12,461.8	12,560.4
Minority Interest	(531.2)	(706.9)	(747.2)	(728.5)	(650.9)
Total shareholder equity	13,252.6	11,929.0	11,614.9	11,733.3	11,909.6
Total liabilities and equity	30,410.3	28,631.0	27,358.4	27,718.0	26,107.8
CASH FLOW (MYR m)					
Pretax profit	(1,147.7)	(342.2)	807.0	1,439.9	1,648.1
Depreciation & amortisation	1,106.3	1,238.8	1,251.3	1,251.3	1,251.3
Adj net interest (income)/exp	348.7	562.8	505.1	476.5	427.4
Change in working capital	(28.0)	331.9	(33.8)	185.4	50.2
Cash taxes paid	2.3	(65.4)	(234.9)	(429.5)	(501.0)
Other operating cash flow	189.4	637.0	252.9	224.1	224.1
Cash flow from operations	471.0	2,362.9	2,547.6	3,147.7	3,100.2
Capex	(864.8)	(831.6)	(446.0)	(495.3)	(506.9
Free cash flow	(393.8)	1,531.3	2,101.6	2,652.3	2,593.3
Dividends paid	(480.3)	(848.7)	(849.8)	(849.8)	(963.1
Equity raised / (purchased)	(400.3)	0.0	0.0	0.0	(205.1
Change in Debt	3,248.9	(1,478.3)	(973.8)	(81.2)	(1,870.4
Other invest/financing cash flow	(204.4)	(837.2)	(505.1)	(476.5)	(1,070.4
Effect of exch rate changes	(204.4) 39.0	35.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net cash flow	2,188.1	(1,597.3)	(227.1)	1,244.8	(667.6)

FYE 31 Dec	FY21A	FY22A	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E
Key Ratios					
Growth ratios (%)					
Revenue growth	(8.2)	107.0	13.0	13.4	3.2
EBITDA growth	61.3	346.8	18.5	20.4	4.7
EBIT growth	nm	nm	37.4	36.8	7.4
Pretax growth	nm	nm	nm	78.4	14.5
Reported net profit growth	nm	nm	nm	64.8	11.8
Core net profit growth	nm	nm	144.2	64.8	11.8
Profitability ratios (%)					
EBITDA margin	12.8	27.6	29.0	30.8	31.2
EBIT margin	nm	13.2	16.1	19.4	20.2
Pretax profit margin	nm	nm	8.3	13.1	14.5
Payout ratio	nm	nm	147.5	89.5	90.7
DuPont analysis					
Net profit margin (%)	nm	nm	5.9	8.6	9.3
Revenue/Assets (x)	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
Assets/Equity (x)	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1
ROAE (%)	(6.6)	(3.9)	4.6	7.6	8.5
ROAA (%)	(3.1)	0.8	2.1	3.4	3.9
Liquidity & Efficiency					
Cash conversion cycle	(176.6)	(114.5)	(110.6)	(105.0)	(108.6)
Days receivable outstanding	55.5	26.4	21.0	20.6	21.5
Days inventory outstanding	12.3	8.0	6.9	5.8	6.1
Days payables outstanding	244.3	148.9	138.5	131.4	136.2
Dividend cover (x)	(1.9)	(0.6)	0.7	1.1	1.1
Current ratio (x)	1.8	1.0	1.2	1.0	0.8
Leverage & Expense Analysis					
Asset/Liability (x)	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8
Net gearing (%) (incl perps)	69.0	82.6	78.4	66.3	55.3
Net gearing (%) (excl. perps)	69.0	82.6	78.4	66.3	55.3
Net interest cover (x)	na	2.0	3.1	4.5	5.4
Debt/EBITDA (x)	nm	5.4	4.2	3.5	2.8
Capex/revenue (%)	20.8	9.7	4.6	4.5	4.5
Net debt/ (net cash)	9,145.0	9,855.7	9,109.0	7,782.9	6,580.1

Source: Company; Maybank IBG Research

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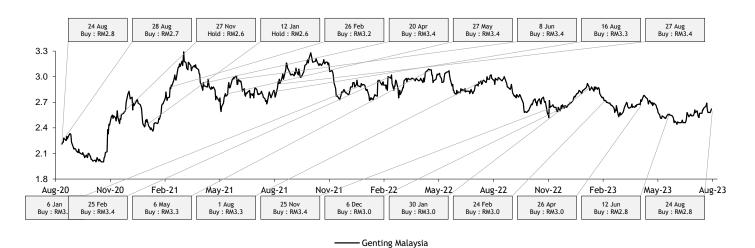
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