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Malaysia

# Malaysia Gloves Sector

# Trade truce sparks fresh uncertainty

NEGATIVE *[Downgrade]*

## Risk outweighs potential returns; D/G to NEGATIVE

The latest US-China tariff rollback may not favour Malaysia glove makers, in our view, as it could delay purchasing decisions due to ongoing uncertainty. We believe a reversion to the previous tariff schedule on China gloves remains possible, depending on the outcome of ongoing negotiations. At the same time, new capacity from China glove makers in Southeast Asia, expected from 2026, poses a growing supply risk. In our view, these risks outweigh potential returns. We downgrade the Malaysia glove sector to NEGATIVE with corresponding rating cuts to SELLs on HART, KRI and TOPG.

## US and China to slash tariffs for 90 days

The US and China have reached a surprise agreement to temporarily reduce reciprocal tariffs for 90 days. Under the deal announced on 12 May 2025, the US will cut the additional tariffs imposed on China imports in Apr 2025 from 145% to 30%, while China will lower its tariffs on US goods from 125% to 10%. The mutual tariff revisions will be effective from 14 May-12 Aug 2025. However, Trump's 20% fentanyl-related levies on China, imposed in Feb and Mar 2025, will remain, while China will suspend or cancel its non-tariff countermeasures imposed on the US since 2 Apr 2025.

## Uncertainty arises from latest 90-days tariff pause

The tariff on China glove makers remains unclear. Industry sources suggest an 80% rate, combining the 30% reciprocal tariff (for 90 days) and earlier Biden-imposed tariffs. However, this is unconfirmed, as 30% may not apply to goods with pre-existing high tariffs. The effective rate could instead be the original Biden-imposed rate of 50%. The US tariffs on Malaysia gloves are at 10% from 9 Apr–8 Jul 2025, then 24% thereafter.

## Time to take a stand - sector downgrade to NEGATIVE

While the temporary tariff rollback may not lead to a more competitive rate for China glove makers, the lingering uncertainty could prompt customers to adopt a wait-and-see approach, delaying purchasing decisions and slowing sales. More critically, new capacity from China glove makers in SEA, expected from 2026, poses supply risks that may pressure volume and ASP. We cut TPs for HART, TOPG, and KRI to MYR1.88, MYR0.73, MYR1.60 respectively (from MYR2.16, MYR1.99, MYR0.92) and downgrade all to SELLs (from HOLDs).

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**Figure 1: US tariff on gloves from various countries**

| | Tariff (incl. reciprocal) | 90 days tariff* |
|---|---|---|
| Malaysia | 24% | 10% |
| Thailand | 36% | 10% |
| China | 195% | 80% |

**from 9 Apr-8 July 2025 for M'sia and Thailand from 14 May - 12 Aug 2025 for China*
*Source: various media reports, USTR*

**Figure 2: Change in stock rating**

| Glove makers | New | Old |
|---|---|---|
| HART MK | SELL | HOLD |
| KRI MK | SELL | HOLD |
| TOPG MK | SELL | HOLD |

*Source: Maybank IBG*

**Figure 3: Change in TPs (MYR/sh)**

| Glove makers | New | Old |
|---|---|---|
| HART MK | 1.88 | 2.16 |
| KRI MK | 1.60 | 1.99 |
| TOPG MK | 0.73 | 0.92 |

*Source: Maybank IBG*

| Stock | Bloomberg code | Mkt cap (USD'm) | Rating | Price (LC) | TP (LC) | Upside (%) | P/E (x) 25E | P/E (x) 26E | P/B (x) 25E | P/B (x) 26E | Div yld (%) 25E | Div yld (%) 26E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hartalega | HART MK | 1,651 | Sell | 2.07 | 1.88 | (8) | 80.1 | 62.7 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 6.0 | 1.0 |
| Top Glove | TOPG MK | 1,645 | Sell | 0.86 | 0.73 | (14) | 55.6 | 33.3 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 1.5 |
| Kossan Rubber | KRI MK | 1,048 | Sell | 1.76 | 1.60 | (7) | 30.4 | 41.9 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 |

## Intensified competition post-2025

While the 50% and 100% tariffs on China-made gloves present an opportunity for Malaysia glove makers to gain market share in the US, they have also led to an overreliance on a single market. This growing dependence on the US has come at the expense of non-US markets, where Malaysia glove makers are steadily losing ground to China competitors. Notably, glove producers in other countries, such as Thailand, are also redirecting their focus to the US to avoid price competition with China glove makers in non-US markets, further intensifying competition in the US.

The situation could worsen as additional capacity from China glove makers in Southeast Asia (SEA) is expected to come online from 2026, with these facilities targeting a recovery of US market share. As a result, Malaysia glove makers may face stiffer competition in the US, while continuing to lose share in non-US markets increasingly dominated by China glove makers.

## Negative surprise not priced in; downgrade to NEGATIVE

We downgrade the glove sector to NEGATIVE (from NEUTRAL) as we see earnings risks arising from slower sales. Sales have not rebounded meaningfully following the front-loading activities in 4Q24, and ongoing tariff uncertainty could further weigh on demand.

We believe these negatives may not yet be fully reflected in current valuations. While we maintain our earnings forecasts, we lower our target prices accordingly (see Figure 5) for the glove stocks under our coverage to reflect concerns over weaker earnings visibility and, more importantly, the upcoming capacity expansion by China makers in SEA, which is expected to pressure both volume and ASP.

As a result, we downgrade HART, KRI and TOPG to SELLs, from HOLDs. Malaysia glove makers have been focusing on automation and cost efficiency since the pandemic to better withstand external risks beyond their control. Maintaining a strong balance sheet remains critical to sustaining operations over the longer term, especially in the event of a price war. HART and KRI were in net cash position while TOPG's net gearing was 0.13x in end-2QFY25.

**Figure 4: Net gearing***

| Developer | Net gearing (x) |
|---|---|
| HART MK | Net cash |
| KRI MK | Net cash |
| TOPG MK | 0.13 |

*Source: Companies, * latest quarterly results*

**Figure 5: Changes in valuation multiples, TPs and stock ratings**

| Glove makers | PBV peg (x) | | Target price (MYR/sh) | | Stock rating | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Old | New | Old | New | Old | New | Change in valuation basis |
| **TOPG ^** | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.92 | 0.73 | HOLD | SELL | -0.75 SD to mean, from -0.5 SD to mean |
| **HART** | 1.7 | 1.5 | 2.16 | 1.88 | HOLD | SELL | -0.75 SD to mean, from -0.5 SD to mean |
| **KRI** | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.99 | 1.60 | HOLD | SELL | -0.5 SD to mean, from mean |

*Source: Maybank IBG*

## Risks to our calls & ratings

(i) Import restrictions or additional tariffs imposed by the US on China glove makers; (ii) favorable forex (MYR/USD) movement and (iii) stronger-than-expected demand for gloves.

**Fig 6: HART's 1-year forward PBV (2021-2025)**

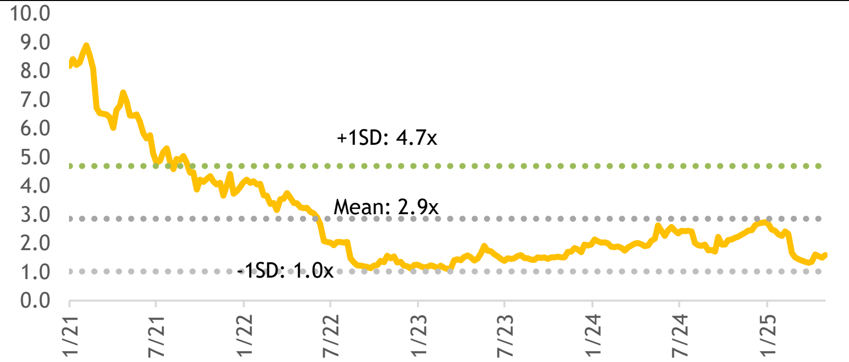


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**Fig 7:TOPG's 1-year forward PBV (2021-2025)**

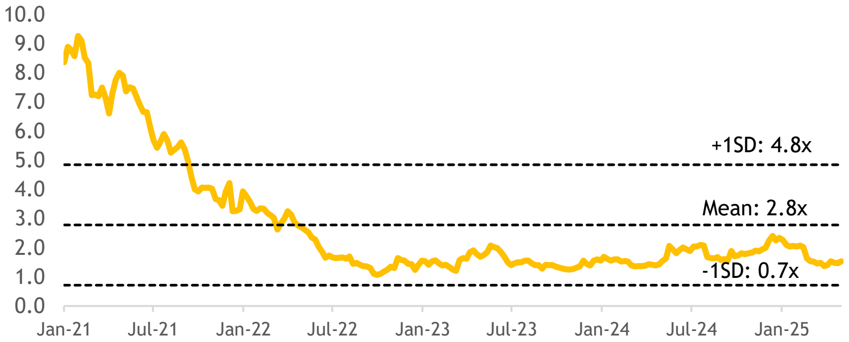


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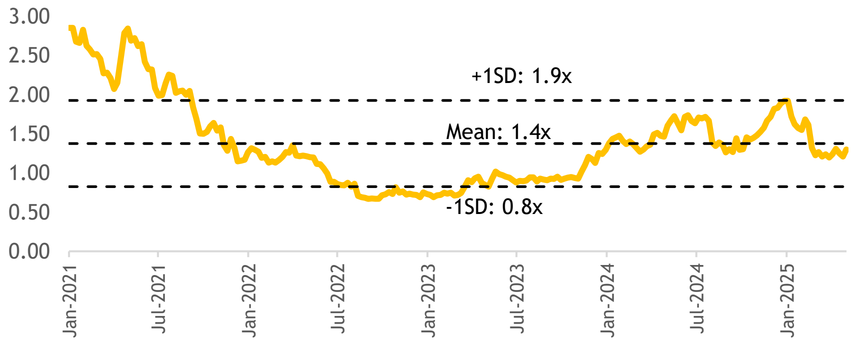
**Fig 8:KRI's 1-year forward PBV (2021-2025)**

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