

Hartalega (HART MK)

Preparing for the next battle

Facing challenges head-on; U/G to HOLD

HART remains cautious amid rising competition from China glove makers expanding into SEA and targeting the same US market, and it continues to prioritise cost and production efficiency to stay competitive. As buyers diversify suppliers for risk management, M'sia could still capture part of the demand, making efficiency crucial to securing these opportunities. We maintain our earnings forecasts and MYR1.35 TP (on 1.1x CY27E PBV, -1SD to mean). With the weakness in share price, there is now a 10% upside to our TP - U/G to HOLD.

Doubles down on cost optimisation

HART remains focused on operational efficiency and cost control. It has hibernated two plants to carry out automation upgrades. This has reduced its running capacity to 24b pcs p.a. (-35%, from 37b pcs) but lifted the utilisation rate to 100% (from 67% in 1QFY26). Other ongoing cost-saving initiatives include workforce rightsizing, tighter wastage control, and improved sourcing. These efforts, coupled with lower electricity tariffs and raw material costs, help cushion the impact of higher wages amid a soft pricing environment.

The next 6 months are critical

HART remains cautious as pricing is expected to stay competitive amid ongoing oversupply and additional capacity from China glove makers expanding into Southeast Asia (SEA). The industry's active supply capacity of 500b-550b pcs versus glove demand of ~370b pcs in 2024 keeps pricing buyer-driven. In our view, the next six months will be critical, particularly on pricing strategy, as a major China glove maker's Indonesia plant is set to begin commissioning. Initial shipments, initially targeted for Oct 2025, have been delayed to Dec 2025-Jan 2026. We believe this new capacity mainly focuses on the US market.

Exploring M&A opportunities

To diversify and strengthen its business, HART is expanding within the healthcare sector (e.g. medical consumables distribution) via M&A and growing its own brand, *Gloveon*, which now supplies 70% of Malaysia's private hospitals and leads in Australia's public healthcare segment. HART prefers organic growth through technology and efficiency gains rather than acquiring existing glove plants. It has no plans to enter the cleanroom glove segment. To manage forex risk, HART currently maintains a 60-80% hedging policy until Jan 2026.

FYE Mar (MYR m)	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Revenue	1,838	2,586	2,511	2,610	2,610
EBITDA	178	201	211	219	183
Core net profit	15	81	74	75	45
Core FDEPS (sen)	0.4	2.3	2.1	2.2	1.3
Core FDEPS growth(%)	(90.9)	445.2	(8.5)	1.7	(40.5)
Net DPS (sen)	0.0	11.4	1.3	1.3	0.8
Core FD P/E (x)	nm	80.5	58.2	57.2	96.2
P/BV (x)	2.0	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0
Net dividend yield (%)	0.0	6.0	1.0	1.1	0.6
ROAE (%)	0.3	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.0
ROAA (%)	0.3	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.0
EV/EBITDA (x)	45.2	27.6	15.8	15.3	18.0
Net gearing (%) (incl perps)	net cash	net cash	net cash	net cash	net cash
Consensus net profit	-	-	74	144	185
MIBG vs. Consensus (%)	-	-	(0.0)	(47.9)	(75.8)

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[Prior:SELL]

Share Price MYR 1.25
 12m Price Target MYR 1.35 (+9%)
 Previous Price Target MYR 1.35

Company Description

Hartalega is the world's largest nitrile medical gloves producer.

Statistics

52w high/low (MYR)	4.05/1.10
3m avg turnover (USDm)	2.5
Free float (%)	42.2
Issued shares (m)	3,428
Market capitalisation	MYR4.3B
	USD1.0B

Major shareholders:

Hartalega Industries Sdn. Bhd.	34.3%
Employees Provident Fund	8.6%
BNP Paribas Wealth Management	6.2%

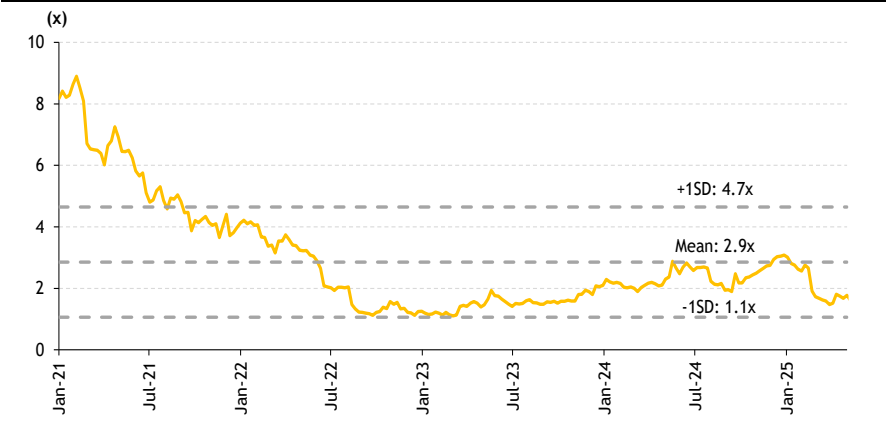
Price Performance



	-1M	-3M	-12M
Absolute (%)	5	(19)	(59)
Relative to index (%)	4	(23)	(58)

Source: FactSet

Fig 1: HART’s 1-year forward PBV (2021-2025)

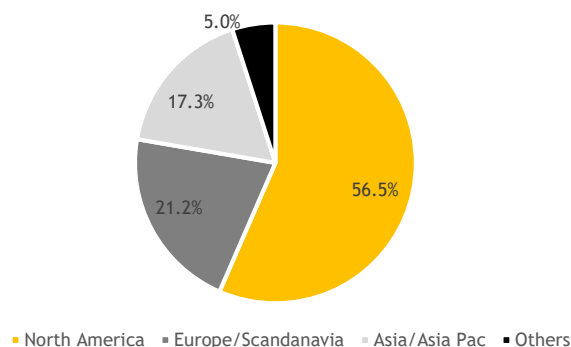


Source: Bloomberg, Company data, Maybank IBG Research

Value Proposition

- HART was founded in 1988, starting from a small production line and eventually becoming one of the world's leading nitrile glove manufacturers.
- It had an installed capacity of 37b pcs p.a. end-FY25.
- In FY25, 57% of HART's revenue was from the US, 21% from Europe, 17% from Asia and 4% from others.

Revenue breakdown by countries (FY25)



Source: Company

Price Drivers

Historical share price trend



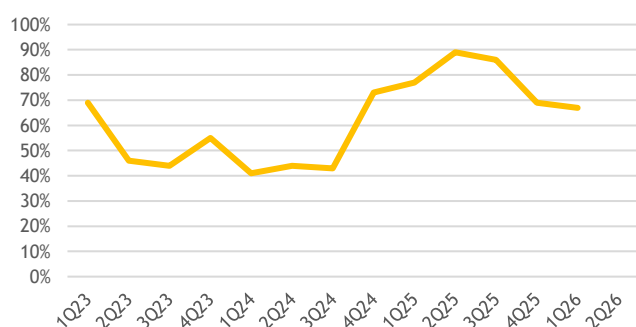
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- 4Q20: News of the COVID-19 vaccine was reported.
- 2021: Malaysian glove makers were hit by the EMCO in July 2021.
- 2022-2023: Oversupply and a price war from China glove makers pressured the industry.
- 2024: The US raised tariffs on China-made gloves to 25% (from 7.5%) in May 2024, with further hikes planned to 50% by 2025 and 100% by 2026.
- 2025: Concerns emerged over China glove makers' capacity expansion in Southeast Asia (SEA).

Financial Metrics

- EBITDA margin declined after front-loaded activities in 4QCY24, easing from 10.4% to 9.9% in 2QCY25, despite the US tariff hikes on China counterparts. The lower margin was attributed to competition among non-China players, the strengthening MYR against USD, and lower utilisation rates.
- HART's utilisation rate stood at 67% at end-1QFY26 but has since risen to 100% after the company hibernated two plants for upgrades, reducing its effective running capacity by 35% to 24b pcs p.a. (from 37b pcs).
- HART remained in a net cash position of MYR989m (or 29 sen/share) as at end-1QFY26.

HART's utilisation rate was 67% end-1QFY26



Source: Company

Swing Factors

Upside

- Stronger-than-expected orders from the USA market.
- Higher-than-expected utilisation rate and ASPs.
- Entry into new markets that will drive sales volume growth.

Downside

- A prolonged price war.
- Further aggressive capacity expansion by China players.
- Strengthening of the MYR against USD.

FYE 31 Mar	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Key Metrics					
P/E (reported) (x)	617.6	141.8	57.9	57.0	95.7
Core P/E (x)	nm	80.1	57.9	57.0	95.7
Core FD P/E (x)	nm	80.5	58.2	57.2	96.2
P/BV (x)	2.0	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0
P/NTA (x)	2.0	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0
Net dividend yield (%)	0.0	6.0	1.0	1.1	0.6
FCF yield (%)	nm	1.2	1.2	0.6	1.6
EV/EBITDA (x)	45.2	27.6	15.8	15.3	18.0
EV/EBIT (x)	nm	nm	62.7	62.6	nm

INCOME STATEMENT (MYR m)

Revenue	1,838.1	2,585.6	2,511.3	2,610.2	2,610.2
EBITDA	177.7	201.0	211.2	219.1	182.7
Depreciation	(132.1)	(150.7)	(158.2)	(165.7)	(170.7)
Amortisation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EBIT	45.7	50.4	53.0	53.4	12.1
Net interest income / (exp)	53.0	41.0	44.1	45.4	46.6
Associates & JV	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Exceptionals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other pretax income	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pretax profit	38.7	48.0	97.2	98.8	58.7
Income tax	(18.7)	26.5	(23.3)	(23.7)	(14.1)
Minorities	(7.3)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Discontinued operations	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Reported net profit	12.7	74.5	74.0	75.2	44.7
Core net profit	14.8	80.8	74.0	75.2	44.7

BALANCE SHEET (MYR m)

Cash & Short Term Investments	1,427.4	923.1	872.0	796.7	784.1
Accounts receivable	386.7	380.3	369.4	383.9	383.9
Inventory	385.6	341.2	331.4	344.5	344.5
Reinsurance assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Property, Plant & Equip (net)	1,901.0	2,573.1	2,565.0	2,549.3	2,649.3
Intangible assets	45.2	38.3	38.3	38.3	38.3
Investment in Associates & JVs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other assets	1,111.7	484.0	501.5	543.6	369.4
Total assets	5,257.6	4,740.1	4,677.5	4,656.3	4,569.5
ST interest bearing debt	62.3	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1
Accounts payable	316.8	227.1	220.6	229.3	229.3
Insurance contract liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LT interest bearing debt	4.3	0.0	(85.5)	(145.4)	(205.3)
Other liabilities	230.0	190.0	190.0	190.0	190.0
Total Liabilities	613.4	421.2	329.2	277.9	218.0
Shareholders Equity	4,647.7	4,322.3	4,351.9	4,382.0	4,355.1
Minority Interest	(3.5)	(3.3)	(3.5)	(3.6)	(3.6)
Total shareholder equity	4,644.2	4,318.9	4,348.4	4,378.3	4,351.5
Total liabilities and equity	5,257.6	4,740.1	4,677.5	4,656.3	4,569.5

CASH FLOW (MYR m)

Pretax profit	38.7	48.0	97.2	98.8	58.7
Depreciation & amortisation	132.1	150.7	158.2	165.7	170.7
Adj net interest (income)/exp	(53.0)	(41.6)	(44.1)	(45.4)	(46.6)
Change in working capital	(149.0)	(48.7)	14.2	(18.9)	0.0
Cash taxes paid	(31.9)	(14.1)	(23.3)	(23.7)	(14.1)
Other operating cash flow	5.4	19.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cash flow from operations	(57.7)	113.8	202.1	176.4	168.6
Capex	(25.3)	(35.7)	(150.0)	(150.0)	(100.0)
Free cash flow	(83.0)	78.1	52.1	26.4	68.6
Dividends paid	0.0	(401.4)	(44.4)	(45.1)	(26.8)
Equity raised / (purchased)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in Debt	(91.6)	(59.9)	(59.9)	(59.9)	(59.9)
Other invest/financing cash flow	(128.0)	(109.0)	1.1	3.3	5.6
Effect of exch rate changes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Net cash flow	(302.6)	(492.2)	(51.1)	(75.3)	(12.6)

FYE 31 Mar	FY24A	FY25A	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
Key Ratios					
Growth ratios (%)					
Revenue growth	(23.7)	40.7	(2.9)	3.9	0.0
EBITDA growth	nm	13.1	5.1	3.7	(16.6)
EBIT growth	nm	10.3	5.3	0.7	(77.4)
Pretax growth	nm	23.8	102.7	1.7	(40.6)
Reported net profit growth	nm	485.9	(0.7)	1.6	(40.5)
Core net profit growth	(90.9)	447.1	(8.5)	1.6	(40.5)
Profitability ratios (%)					
EBITDA margin	9.7	7.8	8.4	8.4	7.0
EBIT margin	2.5	1.9	2.1	2.0	0.5
Pretax profit margin	2.1	1.9	3.9	3.8	2.2
Payout ratio	0.0	nm	60.0	60.0	60.0
DuPont analysis					
Net profit margin (%)	0.7	2.9	2.9	2.9	1.7
Revenue/Assets (x)	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6
Assets/Equity (x)	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0
ROAE (%)	0.3	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.0
ROAA (%)	0.3	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.0
Liquidity & Efficiency					
Cash conversion cycle	74.6	68.6	72.5	70.3	71.6
Days receivable outstanding	69.5	53.4	53.7	51.9	53.0
Days inventory outstanding	63.9	60.4	56.1	54.8	55.6
Days payables outstanding	58.9	45.2	37.3	36.5	37.0
Dividend cover (x)	nm	0.2	1.7	1.7	1.7
Current ratio (x)	5.9	7.2	7.1	6.6	6.6
Leverage & Expense Analysis					
Asset/Liability (x)	8.6	nm	nm	nm	nm
Net gearing (%) (incl perps)	net cash	net cash	net cash	net cash	net cash
Net gearing (%) (excl. perps)	net cash	net cash	net cash	net cash	net cash
Net interest cover (x)	na	na	na	na	na
Debt/EBITDA (x)	0.4	0.0	nm	nm	nm
Capex/revenue (%)	1.4	1.4	6.0	5.7	3.8
Net debt/ (net cash)	(1,360.8)	(919.1)	(953.4)	(938.0)	(985.4)

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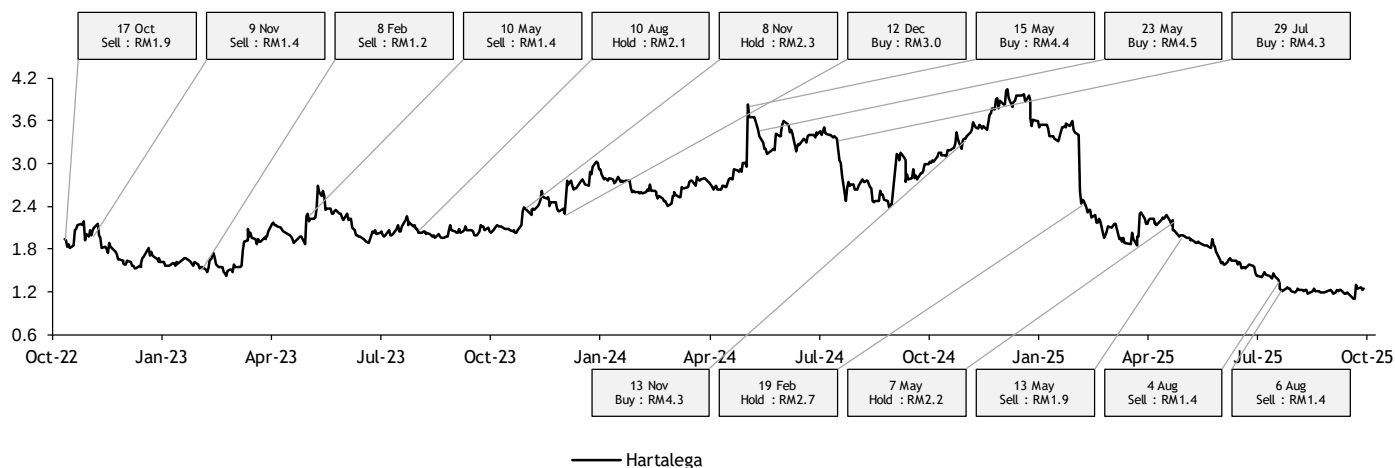
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