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Unlocking opportunities through digital technology for underserved communities through accessible loan solutions

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Overweight

Current Price (IDR) (3/12)	194			
Target price (IDR)	288			
Upside/Downside (%)	48.5%			
52 Week High (IDR)	332			
52 Week Low (IDR)	185			
Major Share holders:				
Tolaram Pte., Ltd.	70.95%			
Investree Singapore Pte., Ltd.	12.22%			
Public and Others	16.83%			



Source: Bloomberg, Shinhan Sekuritas Indonesia

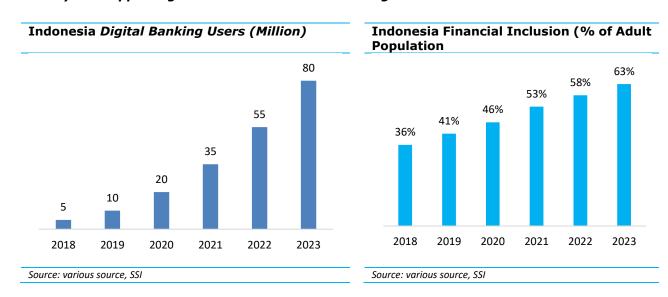
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Business sector Outlook

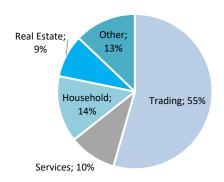
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Financial literacy as the challenge for digital bank. Despite digital banking's rapid rise, financial literacy remains a challenge in Indonesia, particularly in rural areas. Many people are unfamiliar with digital financial services, which limits digital banks' reach. Educating customers about digital banking benefits and promoting financial inclusion will be crucial to expanding their user base across all demographics. Financial literacy remains a pressing issue, with many citizens unfamiliar with banking processes, account benefits, or how to manage personal finances. This lack of understanding reduces people's willingness to open bank accounts or engage with formal banking institutions, especially in rural communities where financial literacy programs are scarce. Low awareness about savings, loans, or financial products further deepens the gap, leaving people hesitant to engage with formal banks. Without comprehensive education initiatives, traditional banking services continue to struggle to reach a broader audience, and this gap also limits the potential for digital banking expansion.

Loan outstanding (in tn IDR) 13.4 10.6 11.3 10.6 Sep'23 Dec'23 Mar'24 Jun'24 Sep'24

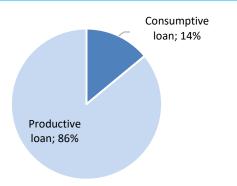
Loan composition by sector



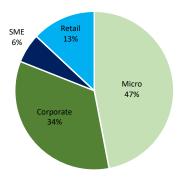
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86% of the loan is used for productive purpose



Micro loan, small medium enterprise and retail as the backboned of the loan



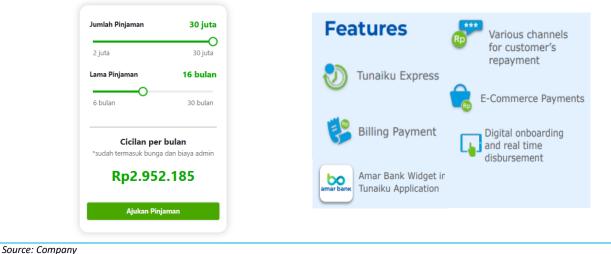
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Bank Amar start to penetrate the market by scaling the asset gradually while at the mean time learning and updating its risk data dashboard to tap the unbanked people in Indonesia through the digital technology. The risk behavior is collecting and at the same time calibration is also updated. By doing so the bank manages the NPL at 0.92% in Sep 2024.

"Tunaiku" as digital landing product that offered unsecured loan with only national digital identity as the prerequisite document



Enhance a robust embed banking services into the client platform to boost the customer loyalty and also a strategy to penetrate the market in digital ecosystem. The quick integration into the client platform is offering easy access to account openings, savings, transfers, payments, and loans. This strategy is also the way to retain the customer saving and also will contribute to the higher loan possibility based on transaction and measurable risk profile to enhance the quality of the risk data. Several platforms that have embed the bank Amar banking services is: Sahara, Tokban, Koltiva, dan Cashlez.

Bank Amar can effectively compete with the superapps of larger banks by focusing on niche markets and delivering personalized, customer-centric services. By leveraging advanced data analytics, Bank Amar can tailor its offerings to meet the specific needs of its customers, providing a more customized banking experience compared to generalized superapps. Additionally, investing in user-friendly mobile and online banking platforms that simplify transactions and enhance usability can attract tech-savvy consumers. The bank should also prioritize customer service excellence, offering responsive support through multiple channels, including chatbots and live representatives, ensuring that clients feel valued and supported. Collaborating with fintech companies to integrate innovative features such as budgeting tools, investment advice, and seamless payment solutions can further enhance its competitive edge.





Partner App SDK API Cateway Amar Bank Digital Banking Services SDK Authentication Request Response Response

The technology that could support the transaction especially with the innovation in the embed is a supporting factor to increase the growth of saving account. The deposit has increased by 3.8% to IDR858bn. Most of the loan is sourced from the equity that at IDR3.3tn. **The organic growth of saving and time deposit is expected will improve along with the loan penetration and the adoption of the apps by the customer to facilitate its transaction needs**. The innovation of the payment transaction through its mobile banking thus is crucial to retain the saving deposit such as billing payment, "Tunaiku Express", E-commcers payment, digital payment onboard.

Innovative digital product to serve the transaction

Source: Company



Customize saving feature



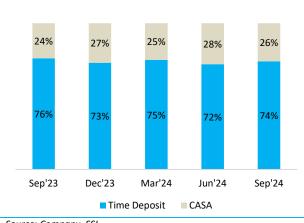
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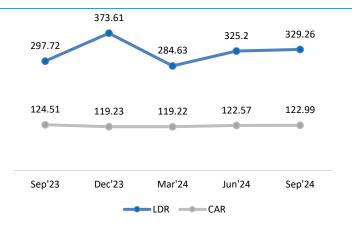
Competitive interest rate and innovative digital solution as marketing strategy to outreach the third party fund. By offering competitive interest rates on savings accounts (around 6%) and fixed deposits, coupled with innovative digital banking solutions, the bank can appeal to tech-savvy clients who prefer convenient online services. Furthermore, launching targeted promotions and loyalty programs can incentivize existing customers to deposit more funds. Additionally, establishing partnerships with local businesses and institutions can foster community trust and encourage referrals, leading to an increase in deposits from a broader customer base. Engaging in financial literacy campaigns can also educate potential clients on the benefits of saving and investing with Bank Amar, further driving third-party fund growth ahead.

Time deposit as the dominant composition of third party fund. In the early stage of penetration, the third part fund is dominated by time deposit with the composition is more than 70%. The low cost of fund or current account saving account (CASA) ratio is 26%, which implying the higher cost of fund. Along with the loan, we expect that the third party fund will improve. Despite the loan is coming from the equity rather than from deposit as shown in the LDR 1t 329%, the company has anticipated in the beginning by strengthening its capital as seen in the capital adequacy ratio that 122.99% which describe the strong capitalized amid the aggressive loan growth. This was above the regulated CAR at 8%.

More than 70% is time deposit in third party fund

Strong capital despite with high loan to deposit ratio





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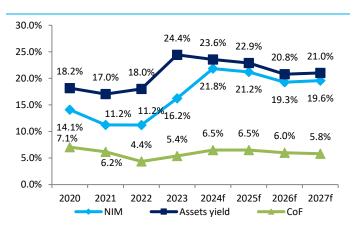
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Strong NIM at 23% and high profitability margin. Despite the time deposit dominates the saving (higher cost of fund), the company ability to posted higher net increase income (NIM) is strong as reflected in its NIM at 23% or much higher than conventional bank at the range of 5% to 7%. This was due to its nature of loan type that was unsecured loan which rely on the technology and to assess the risk profile rather than collateralize based loan. To get the loan approval the company only used the national identity to serve the underserved segment. The higher NIM as the result of the higher loan yield was set to compensate the risk along with its machine learning to calibrate the parameter and also to find the best fit for measurable and prudent loan approval.



Manageable loan risk. Despite the company is targeting the unsecured and underserve bank, the asset quality was well manage as shown in its low NPL at 0.92% in Sep 24 or lower than the previous year 1.56%. The ability to manage the loan yield prudently was also reflected in the loan at risk that was at 10%. The selective loan targeting and recalibration of the loan risk parameter is a key to post the high loan yield with measurable loan risk ahead. The NPL is projected would be at around 1% while the company has more than sufficient provisioning coverage above 100% to protect the asset from the deterioration on its quality.

High net interest margin and asset yield



Loan at risk and manageable non-performing loan 12.0% 10.0% 10.0% 9.4% 9.1% 10.0% 8.3% 7.3% 8.0% 6.3% 6.0% 4.0% 1.7% 1.3% 2.0% 0.0% 2021 2022 2023 2024f 2025f 2026f 2027f - NPL LaR

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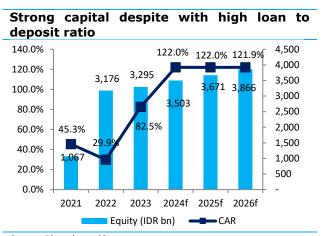
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Manageable NPL and strong coverage



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Assumption	
Cost of equity	10%
Terminal growth	3%
WACC	9%

Output	2023f	2024f	2025f	2026f	2027f	2028f	2029f	2030f
Net Income	182	211	243	311	421	507	605	702
Book value (t-1)	3.295	3.503	3.671	3.866	4.115	4.452	4.858	5.342
Cost of Equity	330	350	367	387	411	445	486	534
Residual Income	(148)	(140)	(124)	(76)	10	62	119	168
PV of Residual Income	(148)	(128)	(104)	(58)	7	40	70	91
Terminal value of Residual Income								1.401

NPV	4.674
# of Shares	16
Equity Value	288



Balance Sheet			Key Ratio								
Year-end 31 Dec (Rp bn)	2023	2024f	2025f	2026f	2027f	Year-end 31 Dec (%)	2023	2024f	2025f	2026f	2027f
Cash	73	94	79	91	150	Growth					
Interbanking Assets	1.161	803	940	1.046	1.157	Assets	5%	5%	7%	9%	11%
Short-Term & LT. Investments	587	803	940	1.046	1.157	Loans	15%	10%	15%	15%	15%
Loan - gross	2.666	3.066	3.373	3.878	4.460	Customer Deposits	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Allowance for Losses	321	536	738	816	905	Net Interest Income	36%	2%	2%	15%	15%
Net Loans	2.345	2.656	2.674	2.792	3.026	PPOP	14%	12%	15%	21%	20%
Net Fixed Assets	16	18	-7	-50	-127	Net Income	-217%	16%	15%	28%	35%
Other Assets	198	204	196	215	218	Profitabilty					
Total Assets	4.379	4.579	4.823	5.140	5.581	Asset Yield	24%	24%	23%	21%	21%
Customer Deposits	709	730	752	775	798	Cost of Fund	5%	7%	7%	6%	6%
ST Borrowings & Repos	203	111	74	45	28	Net Interest Margin	16%	22%	21%	19%	20%
Long-Term Borrowings	25	25	25	25	25	ROAA	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%
Other Liabilities	147	210	301	430	615	ROAE	5%	5%	6%	6%	7%
Total Liabilities	1.084	1.076	1.151	1.274	1.466	Operational Efficiency Ratio (OER)	85%	77%	74%	71%	68%
Minority Interest	0	0	0	0	0	CIR	41%	50%	45%	38%	35%
Shareholders' Equity	3.295	3.503	3.671	3.866	4.115	Liquidity					
Total Liabilities & Equity	4.379	4.579	4.823	5.140	5.581	LDR	420%	448%	501%	559%	624%
Source: Company, Shinhan Sekuritas Indonesia						CASA Ratio	27%	27%	27%	27%	27%
						Capital					
Income Statement						CAR-Bank Only	122%	122%	122%	120%	117%
Year-end 31 Dec (Rp bn)	2023	2024f	2025f	2026f	2027f	Assets Quality					
Interest Income	987	965	983	998	1.147	NPL	2,7%	1,0%	0,9%	0,6%	-0,7%
Interest Expense	65	70	72	73	80	Coverage Ratio	185%	493%	567%	876%	-715%
Net Interest Income	921	895	910	926	1.067	Source: Company, Shinhan Sekuritas Indonesia					
Other Operating Income	274	80	83	85	88						
Net Revenue	1.196	975	993	1.011	1.155	Dupont (as % of average assets)	2023	2024f	2025f	2026f	2027f
Provision for loan loases	513	245	270	310	357	Net Interest Income	21%	20%	19%	19%	20%
Net Revenue after provision	682	730	723	700	798	Net Revenue	27%	22%	21%	20%	22%
Non interest expense	884	537	483	428	485	Net Revenue after provision	15%	16%	15%	14%	15%
Operating Income	-202	193	240	272	313	Operating Income	-5%	4%	5%	5%	6%
Net Non-Operating Losses (Gains)	422	44	35	45	92	Net Income	4%	4%	4%	5%	6%
Income before tax	220	237	275	317	405	ROAA	4%	4%	4%	5%	5%
Tax	42	55	64	74	95	multiplier	1	1	1	1	1
Net Income	178	182	211	243	311	ROAE	5%	5%	6%	6%	7%
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