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Recommendation:	BUY
Current Price:	RM 1.08
Previous Target Price:	RM 1.42
Target Price:	RM 1.55
Capital Upside/Downside:	43.5%
Dividend Yield (%):	2.1%
Total Upside / Downside	45.6%

Stock information

Board	MAIN
Sector	Renewable Energy
Bursa / Bloomberg Code	0223 / SAMAIENMK
Syariah Compliant	Yes
ESGRating	★★★
Shares issued (m)	502.3
Market Cap (RM' m)	542.4
52-Week Price Range (RM)	1.62-0.91
Beta (x)	1.0
Free float (%)	32.1
3M Average Volume (m)	0.8
3M Average Value (RM' m)	1.1

Top 3 Shareholders

	(%)
Datuk Ir. Chow Pui Hee	29.6
Chudenko Corp	16.7
Oversea-Chinese Banking Corp Ltd	2.3

Share Price Performance



	1M	3M	12M
Absolute (%)	-9.2	-27.0	-11.5
Relative (%)	-9.4	-32.2	-19.5

Earnings Summary	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Revenue (RM'm)	353.5	539.6	549.8
PATAMI (RM'm)	20.2	26.3	28.4
CNP (RM'm)	21.8	26.3	28.4
EPS - core (sen)	4.3	5.2	5.6
P/E(x)	24.9	20.6	19.1

Samaiden Group Berhad

Resilient Project Delivery Drives Bottom-Line Growth

- **2QFY26 CNP** came in at RM8.0m (55.1% QoQ, +100.8% YoY), bringing **6MFY26 CNP** to **RM13.1m (+66.5% YoY)**, which firmly exceed our expectations, accounting for **56% of our forecasts** and **49% of consensus estimates**.
- The outperformance reflects the transition from 1QFY26's setup phase to accelerated S-curve recognition, bolstered by tax normalization and a higher margin project mix.
- We raise our earnings forecasts by 13.2%, 11.5%, and 8.4% for FY26F-FY28F, respectively, to reflect structurally improved EPCC margins driven by operational efficiencies and a resilient Ringgit.
- Upgrade to **BUY (from HOLD)** with a higher TP of **RM1.55 (from RM1.42)**. We believe the current valuation offers an attractive entry point as the Group leverages its **RM1.4bn Sukuk headroom** to aggressively target a historical **18.3% market share** in upcoming **LSS5+ awards**.

Exceed Expectations. Stripping out a RM1.1m fair value gain on short-term investments, 2QFY26 core net profit (CNP) rose to RM8.0m (+55.1% QoQ, +100.8% YoY). This brought 6MFY26 CNP to RM13.1m (+66.5% YoY), firmly exceeding our expectations by accounting for 56% of our full-year forecast and 49% of consensus estimates. The outperformance was primarily driven by accelerated progress and stronger revenue recognition from utility-scale solar EPCC projects, alongside a more favourable project margin mix.

QoQ. 2QFY26 CNP surged 55.1% to RM8.0m, significantly outpacing revenue growth of 16.7%. The margin expansion was primarily driven by: (i) improved economies of scale and a better project mix as major utility-scale EPCC works moved past their initial low-margin setup phases, and (ii) a lower effective tax rate of 16.5% (vs. 33.7% in 1QFY26), supported by tax-exempt investment income. This brought the 6MFY26 effective tax rate to 24.4%, normalizing toward statutory levels. Accordingly, CNP margin improved by 2.0 ppts to 7.8% from the preceding quarter.

YoY. 2QFY26 CNP doubled (+100.8%) to RM8.0m (2QFY25: RM4.0m), supported by a 28.4% growth in revenue to RM102.8m. The significant earnings jump reflects the effective conversion of the Group's robust order book. Additionally, with the shift in project mix towards larger utility-scale projects from the prior year's focus on smaller C&I (Commercial & Industrial) projects, has structurally enhanced the Group's earnings profile.

Outlook. We anticipate sequential strength in 3QFY26, driven by the sustained execution of current utility-scale projects and peak revenue/margin recognition from CGPP works entering mid-to-late construction, alongside an increasing contribution from the 95MWac LSS5 project in Perak. Beyond the immediate quarter, order book replenishment remains the primary catalyst; the Group is well-positioned to leverage its RM1.4bn Sukuk Wakalah headroom to aggressively pursue both EPCC contracts and asset ownership roles, targeting its historical 18.3% market share in upcoming LSS5+ awards. Additionally, more stable solar module prices (~USD0.10/W) and a favourable Ringgit provide a cushion against imported component costs, effectively safeguarding margins for fixed-price EPCC arrangements. We also note that China's recent cancellation of export VAT rebates on photovoltaic products has had no material impact on performance, as module supply for secured projects is already substantially locked in, with remaining spot price exposure limited to smaller C&I projects that are becoming less significant as the mix shifts toward large-scale utility works.

Order Book. As of 31 Dec 2025, the unbilled order book remains healthy at approximately RM600.5m (c.1.7x FY25 revenue). This provides clear earnings visibility through FY27, even before accounting for potential wins from the LSS5+ pipeline.

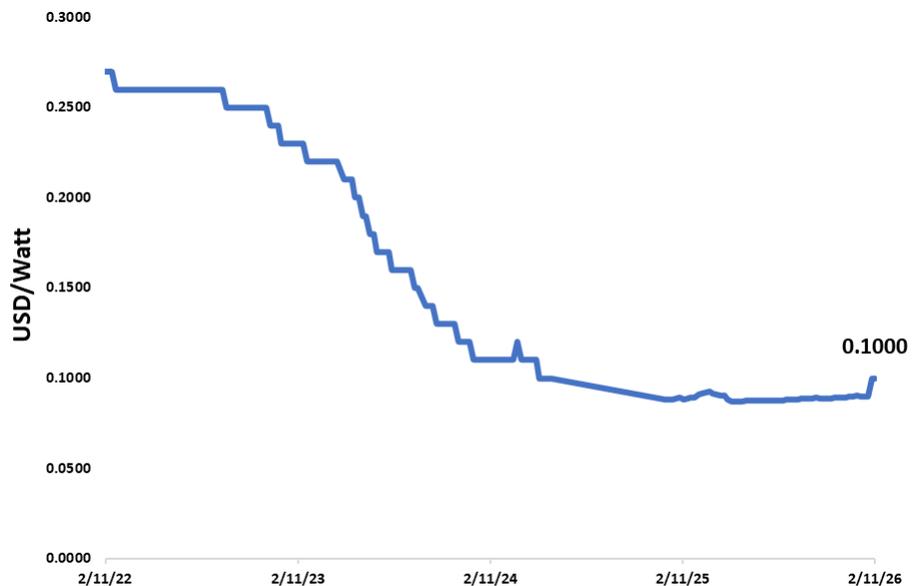
Earnings revision. We have raised our margin assumptions for the EPCC segment to reflect the more favourable project mix margins and improved operational efficiencies as major utility-scale

projects move beyond their initial setup phases. Consequently, we revise our core earnings upward by 13.2%, 11.5%, and 8.4% for FY26F, FY27F, and FY28F, respectively, while maintaining our existing order book replenishment forecasts.

Valuation & Recommendation. Following our earnings revision, we upgrade to **BUY** (from HOLD) and raise our TP to **RM1.55** (from RM1.42). Our valuation is anchored on a sum-of-parts (SOP) framework—valuing the core EPCC business at 30x PE—and incorporates a three-star ESG rating. We continue to favour Samaiden for its: (i) proven expertise in ground-mounted solar PV projects, (ii) industry-leading low gearing with a net cash position, and (iii) strategic focus on bioenergy solutions, which distinguishes it from other solar EPCC players. Given the improved margin outlook and robust project execution, we believe the current valuation offers an attractive entry point to capture the Group's multi-year growth trajectory.

Risks. Increase in solar module costs. Inability to complete projects in time. Intense market competition.

Figure 1: Solar Module Price Trend



Source: Bloomberg, Apex Securities

Figure 2: YTD USD/MYR Trend



Source: Bloomberg, Apex Securities

Results Note

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Results Comparison

FYE Jun (RM m)	2QFY26	2QFY25	yoy (%)	1QFY26	qoq (%)	6MFY26	6MFY25	yoy (%)	Comments
Revenue	102.8	80.0	28.4	88.1	16.7	190.9	129.4	47.5	Higher progress in utility scale projects
COGS	(86.5)	(70.1)	23.5	(73.6)	17.6	(160.1)	(111.6)	43.5	
Gross profit	16.3	10.0	63.1	14.6	11.8	30.8	17.9	72.6	higher margin project mix
EBITDA	12.5	6.6	89.1	11.0	14.4	23.5	11.2	110.1	
Depreciation & Amortisation	(0.4)	(0.1)	275.7	(0.5)	(21.0)	(0.9)	(0.2)	364.8	
EBIT	12.1	6.5	86.1	10.5	16.1	22.6	11.0	105.6	
Net finance	(1.3)	0.0	nm	(0.9)	46.6	(2.1)	(0.1)	3,058.8	
Associates/JV	(0.0)	-	nm	(0.4)	(86.7)	(0.4)	-	nm	
Pre-tax profit	10.8	6.6	64.9	9.2	17.2	20.1	10.9	83.5	
Tax expenses	(1.8)	(1.8)	(1.7)	(3.1)	(42.4)	(4.9)	(2.9)	71.5	qoq lower from tax exempted investment income
Profit after tax	9.0	4.7	90.5	6.1	47.4	15.2	8.1	87.8	
(-) Minority interest	(0.0)	(0.0)	(92.9)	(0.1)	(98.6)	(0.1)	(0.0)	217.4	
PAT (-MI)	9.0	4.8	89.9	6.2	45.7	15.2	8.1	88.2	
Core net profit	8.0	4.0	100.8	5.1	55.1	13.1	7.9	66.5	
Core EPS (sen)	1.6	0.9		1.0		2.6	1.9		
DPS (sen)	-	-		1.4		1.4	1.5		
EBITDA margin (%)	12.2	8.3		12.4		12.3	8.6		
PBT margin (%)	10.5	8.2		10.5		10.5	8.4		
Effective tax rate (%)	16.5	27.8		33.7		24.4	26.1		
Core PATMI margin (%)	7.8	5.0		5.8		6.9	6.1		

Source: Company, Apex Securities

Segmental Breakdown

FYE Jun (RM m)	2QFY26	2QFY25	yoy (%)	1QFY26	qoq (%)	6MFY26	6MFY25	yoy (%)	Comments
Revenue									
EPCC	102.6	79.9	28.4	87.9	16.7	190.5	129.1	47.5	Driven by Higher progress in utility scale projects
Power Supply	0.2	0.2	13.6	0.2	(17.9)	0.4	0.3	27.1	
Others	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	102.8	80.0	28.4	88.1	16.7	190.9	129.4	47.5	

Source: Company, Apex Securities

Financial Highlights

Income Statement

FYE Jun (RM m)	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Revenue	170.8	227.2	353.5	539.6	549.8
Gross Profit	25.8	35.5	49.5	62.9	66.0
EBITDA	14.3	20.2	29.9	38.3	41.1
Depreciation & Amortisation	-1.0	-0.2	-1.4	-1.1	-1.7
EBIT	13.3	20.0	28.6	37.3	39.4
Net Finance Income/ (Cost)	0.1	1.9	-1.8	-2.5	-2.0
Associates & JV	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Pre-tax Profit	13.4	21.9	26.6	34.7	37.4
Tax	-3.3	-5.8	-6.5	-8.3	-9.0
Profit After Tax	10.1	16.0	20.1	26.4	28.4
Minority Interest	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Net Profit	10.1	16.0	20.2	26.3	28.4
Exceptionals	0.4	0.7	-1.6	0.0	0.0
Core Net Profit	9.7	15.3	21.8	26.3	28.4

27.55%

Key Ratios

FYE Jun (RM m)	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
EPS (sen)	1.9	3.0	4.3	5.2	5.6
P/E(x)	55.9	35.4	24.9	20.6	19.1
P/B(x)	5.5	4.0	3.2	3.0	2.7
EV/EBITDA(x)	45.0	33.0	21.7	19.7	17.3
DPS (sen)	0.0	0.4	1.6	2.1	2.3
Dividend Yield (%)	0.0%	0.3%	1.5%	2.0%	2.1%
EBITDA margin (%)	8.4%	8.9%	8.5%	7.1%	7.5%
EBIT margin (%)	7.8%	8.8%	8.1%	6.9%	7.2%
PBT margin (%)	7.8%	9.6%	7.5%	6.4%	6.8%
PAT margin (%)	5.9%	7.0%	5.7%	4.9%	5.2%
NP margin (%)	5.9%	7.1%	5.7%	4.9%	5.2%
CNP margin (%)	5.7%	6.7%	6.2%	4.9%	5.2%
ROE (%)	9.9%	11.4%	13.0%	14.5%	14.4%
ROA (%)	5.0%	7.4%	3.8%	3.8%	4.3%
Gearing (%)	6.6%	6.3%	63.7%	58.7%	54.2%
Net gearing (%)	Net Cash				

Valuations

Value (RM' m)	Valuation methodology
EPCC	714.43
REassets	78.49
Proceeds from warrants/ ESOS	80.78
SOP Value	873.70
Enlarged share base (m share)	564.28
Fair Value (RM)	1.55
ESG premium/discount	0.0%
Implied Fair Value (RM)	1.55

Source: Company, Apex Securities

Balance Sheet

FYE Jun (RM m)	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Cash and bank balances	108.2	132.2	212.6	318.3	275.1
Receivables	37.2	54.1	269.4	272.1	274.8
Inventories	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1
Other current assets	41.9	12.6	59.5	63.3	63.2
Total Current Assets	187.9	199.4	541.8	653.9	613.3
Fixed Assets	3.4	4.1	16.6	26.9	36.7
Other non-current assets	3.3	3.8	12.5	12.5	12.5
Total Non-Current Assets	6.6	7.9	29.2	39.5	49.3
Short-term debt	4.5	6.6	103.7	85.4	85.6
Payables	70.6	40.4	185.7	286.1	241.9
Other current liabilities	17.0	22.2	101.5	109.1	106.8
Total Current Liabilities	92.2	69.2	##	480.6	434.3
Long-term debt	1.9	1.8	3.1	21.4	21.4
Other non-current liabilities	2.4	1.8	9.4	9.4	9.4
Total Non-Current Liabilities	4.4	3.6	12.5	30.8	30.8
Shareholder's equity	97.8	134.3	167.4	181.7	197.1
Minority interest	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3
Total Equity	97.9	134.4	167.6	182.0	197.4

Cash Flow

FYE Jun (RM m)	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Pre-tax profit	13.4	21.9	26.6	34.7	37.4
Depreciation & amortisation	1.0	0.2	1.4	1.1	1.7
Changes in working capital	24.9	-16.0	12.7	101.5	-49.0
Others	-5.9	-3.6	-57.7	-5.8	-7.0
Operating cash flow	33.4	2.4	-17.1	131.4	-16.9
Capex	-1.9	-2.2	-11.4	-11.4	-11.5
Others	1.5	4.4	-20.5	1.6	1.8
Investing cash flow	-0.4	2.2	-31.9	-9.8	-9.7
Dividends paid	0.0	-2.0	-9.2	-12.0	-12.9
Others	-5.6	22.1	113.4	-4.0	-3.6
Financing cash flow	-5.6	20.0	104.2	-16.0	-16.5
Net cash flow	27.4	24.7	55.2	105.6	-43.1
Forex	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Others	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Beginning cash	69.0	96.6	121.4	176.7	282.3
Ending cash	96.6	121.4	176.7	282.3	239.2

ESG Matrix Framework:

Environment

Parameters	Rating	Comments
Climate	★★★★	Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions totaled 77.1m tCO ₂ e in FY25, marking a 70.3% year-on-year decrease from FY24.
Waste & Effluent	★★★	Implemented the 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) initiative, featuring dedicated 3R bins on each office level to facilitate responsible waste disposal.
Energy	★★★★	The Group's total electricity consumption decreased by 60% to 67,174 kWh.
Water	★★★	Water consumption totaled 0.657 megaliters, reflecting a 2.1% reduction from the previous year's consumption of 0.671 megaliters.
Compliance	★★★	The Group complies with all local and international environmental regulations.

Social

Diversity	★★★	In 2025, 38% of the workforce were female. At the management level, 33.33% were female, meeting the MCCG recommendation of a 30% women directors' composition on the Board.
Human Rights	★★★	Samaiden enforces various frameworks to uphold human rights and labor relations, including zero tolerance for human trafficking, forced labor, and child labor.
Occupational Safety and Health	★★★	In 2025, 119 employees received training on health and safety standards. No employee fatalities were recorded, and the total recordable incident rate (TRIR) reduced to 0, compared to 0.4 in the previous year.
Labour Practices	★★★	Samaiden complies with all relevant labor laws.

Governance

CSR Strategy	★★★	Samaiden advanced its sustainability and community outreach efforts through a solar installation for an orphanage in Gopeng and a tree-planting and strategic partnership with UTHM, combining clean energy, education, and environmental action to create lasting social and ecological impact.
Management	★★★	Among the board members, 33% (2 out of 6) were female, while 67% (4 out of 6) were independent directors.
Stakeholders	★★★	The Group organises quarterly analyst briefings for analysts and holds an annual general meeting (AGM) for investors.

Overall ESG Scoring: ★★★

Recommendation Framework:

BUY: Total returns* are expected to exceed 10% within the next 12 months.

HOLD: Total returns* are expected to be within +10% to -10% within the next 12 months.

SELL: Total returns* are expected to be below -10% within the next 12 months.

TRADING BUY: Total returns* are expected to exceed 10% within the next 3 months.

TRADING SELL: Total returns* are expected to be below -10% within the next 3 months.

*Capital gain + dividend yield

Sector Recommendations:

OVERWEIGHT: The industry defined by the analyst is expected to exceed 10% within the next 12 months.

NEUTRAL: The industry defined by the analyst is expected to be within +10% to -10% within the next 12 months.

UNDERWEIGHT: The industry defined by the analyst, is expected to be below -10% within the next 12 months.

ESG Rating Framework:

★★★★★ : Appraised with 3% premium to fundamental fair value

★★★★ : Appraised with 1% premium to fundamental fair value

★★★ : Appraised with 0% premium/discount to fundamental fair value

★★ : Appraised with -1% discount to fundamental fair value

★ : Appraised with -5% discount to fundamental fair value

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