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Recommendation:	BUY
Current Price:	RM0.38
Previous Target Price:	RM0.48
Target Price:	↔ RM0.48
Capital Upside/ Downside:	26.3%
Dividend Yield (%):	5.7%
Total Upside/ Downside	32.0%

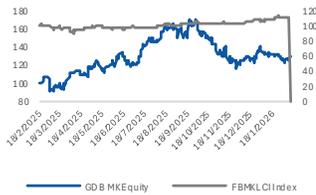
Stock Information

Board	MAIN
Sector	Construction
Bursa/ Bloomberg Code	0198/ GDB MK
Syariah Compliant	Yes
ESGRating	★★★
Shares issued (m)	1,031.3
Market Cap (RM' m)	391.9
52-Week Price Range (RM)	0.515-0.265
Beta (x)	1.3
Free float (%)	58.1
3M Average Volume (m)	14.1
3M Average Value (RM' m)	5.3

Top 3 Shareholders

	(%)
Young Andy Lai Wee	13.1
Chc Holdings Sdn Bhd	11.3
Lo Tzone Leong	11.3

Share Price Performance



	1M	3M	12M
Absolute (%)	-2.6	4.1	24.6
Relative (%)	-1.3	0.3	9.3

Earnings Summary

FYE Dec	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Revenue (RM'm)	748.1	673.9	447.0
PATAMI (RM'm)	54.3	61.9	38.8
CNP (RM'm)	106.2	61.9	38.8
EPS - core (sen)	10.3	6.0	3.8
P/E(x)	3.7	6.3	10.1

Source: Company, Apex Securities

GDB Holdings Bhd

A winning streak

- **GDB secured a RM115.5m contract for a proposed new water treatment plant in Song District, Sarawak to undertake the construction, supply, delivery, installation, testing and commissioning of the new facility.**
- **Post job wins, GDB's orderbook now stands at RM785.7m, providing the Group with earnings visibility through FY29.**
- **The Group has an estimated tenderbook of RM3.1bn, with a further RM1.3bn of planned bid submissions by Q2 2026, which could lift the tenderbook to c.RM4bn.**
- **No change to our earnings forecasts as the latest job win is within our internal job replenishment estimate of RM550m.**
- **Maintain our BUY recommendation with an unchanged TP of RM0.48, based on 8.0x FY26F EPS of 6.0 sen, supported by a three-star ESG rating.**

Another job secured in East Malaysia. GDB secured a RM115.5m contract for a proposed new water treatment plant in Song District, Sarawak. Through its wholly-owned subsidiary GDB Infra Sdn Bhd, the Group was appointed by Pembinaan JBS Sdn Bhd as a sub-contractor to undertake the construction, supply, delivery, installation, testing and commissioning of the new facility.

Further details. The project is scheduled to commence in March, with a construction period of 36 months and targeted completion by Q1 2029. Applying a conservative c.5-6% PAT margin, the RM115.5m contract is expected to generate approximately RM5.5m–6.5m in PAT over FY26–FY29 (c.RM1.4m–1.6m annually). This represents approximately c.2-3% of our FY26F Group PAT forecast of RM61.9m, indicating a modest earnings contribution.

Outlook. GDB's third contract win this year accounts for 21% of our FY26 job replenishment assumption of RM550m. Following the award, **the Group's orderbook has increased to RM785.7m**, providing earnings visibility through FY29. Meanwhile, its **tenderbook stands at approximately RM3.1bn**, with a further **RM1.3bn worth of bids** being prepared for submission by 2Q26 across warehouse, residential, commercial and mixed-use segments. Looking ahead, we expect a pickup in non-infrastructure project wins as three ongoing projects, namely the Metrohub 4 logistics warehouse in Klang, Logistics Hub Plot B in Shah Alam and the International Tertiary Hospital in KL, are nearing completion by FY26, which should free up resources for new job intake.

Earnings Revision. No change to our earnings forecasts as the latest job win is within our internal job replenishment estimate of RM550m.

Valuation & Recommendation. We maintain our **BUY** recommendation with an unchanged TP of **RM0.48**, based on 8.0x FY26F EPS of 6.0 sen, supported by a three-star ESG rating. We remain positive on GDB's prospects, underpinned by **(i) three major projects in its RM785.7m orderbook entering peak revenue recognition phases, (ii) a sizeable tenderbook expected to reach c.RM4bn by Q2 2026, and (iii) its latest venture into infrastructure and property development.**

Risks. Rising material prices, failure to secure new contracts, and risk of Liquidated Ascertained Damages (LAD).

Company Update

Thursday, 19 Mar, 2026

Financial Highlights

Income Statement

FYE Dec (RM m)	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Revenue	319.6	258.2	748.1	673.9	447.0
Gross Profit	13.4	55.8	125.7	96.2	63.4
EBITDA	16.2	43.4	122.3	88.6	57.0
Depreciation & Amortisation	-5.2	-3.4	-1.2	-3.4	-3.3
EBIT	11.0	40.0	121.0	85.1	53.7
Net Finance Income/(Cost)	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Associates & JV	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
Pre-tax Profit	10.9	40.0	69.1	85.1	53.7
Tax	-2.6	-13.3	-14.7	-23.3	-14.9
Profit After Tax	8.3	26.7	54.4	61.8	38.8
(-) Minority Interest	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0
Net Profit	8.0	26.8	54.3	61.9	38.8
(-) Exceptionals	3.1	-9.9	-51.9	0.0	0.0
Core Net Profit	5.0	36.7	106.2	61.9	38.8

Key Ratios

FYE Dec	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Revenue Growth (%)	-37.3%	-19.2%	189.7%	-11.9%	-33.7%
CNP Growth (%)	-70.8%	640.1%	189.4%	-26.1%	-37.3%
Core EPS (sen)	0.5	3.6	10.3	6.0	3.8
P/E (x)	79.0	10.7	3.7	6.3	10.1
P/B (x)	2.3	2.0	1.4	1.2	1.1
EV/EBITDA (x)	19.4	7.2	1.5	2.3	2.1
DPS (sen)	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.8	1.1
Dividend Yield (%)	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%	4.7%	3.0%
EBITDA margin (%)	5.1%	16.8%	16.3%	13.1%	12.8%
EBIT margin (%)	3.4%	15.5%	16.2%	12.6%	12.0%
PBT margin (%)	3.4%	15.5%	9.2%	12.6%	12.0%
PAT margin (%)	2.6%	10.4%	7.3%	9.2%	8.7%
NP margin (%)	2.5%	10.4%	7.3%	9.2%	8.7%
CNP margin (%)	1.6%	14.2%	14.2%	9.2%	8.7%
ROE (%)	2.9%	18.7%	38.8%	18.4%	10.7%
ROA (%)	1.4%	9.8%	21.9%	9.8%	6.8%
Gearing (%)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Net gearing (%)	Net Cash				

Assumptions

Orderbook replenishment (RM m)*	9.0	902.0	0.0	550.0	550.0
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*Historical numbers reflect actual orderbook replenishment

Valuations

	FY26F
Core EPS (RM)	0.060
P/E multiple (x)	8.0
Fair Value (RM)	0.48
ESG premium/discount	0.0%
Implied Fair Value (RM)	0.48

Source: Company, Apex Securities

Balance Sheet

FYE Dec (RM m)	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Cash	79.0	81.1	206.1	186.9	271.8
Receivables	151.7	153.4	100.4	230.5	152.9
Inventories	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
Other current assets	100.4	123.5	162.8	198.5	131.7
Total Current Assets	331.1	358.1	469.3	616.0	556.4
Fixed Assets	15.6	14.6	16.4	12.6	11.9
Intangibles	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
Other non-current assets	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Non-Current Assets	15.6	14.6	16.4	12.6	11.9
Short-term debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Payables	157.1	161.7	185.2	269.0	178.6
Other current liabilities	20.4	15.0	27.1	22.4	25.5
Total Current Liabilities	177.5	176.7	212.2	291.4	204.1
Long-term debt	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other non-current liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Non-Current Liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Shareholder's equity	168.4	195.2	272.5	336.3	363.5
Minority interest	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.7
Total Equity	169.3	196.0	273.5	337.1	364.2

Cash Flow

FYE Dec (RM m)	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26F	FY27F
Pre-tax profit	10.9	40.0	69.1	85.1	53.7
Depreciation & amortisation	5.2	3.4	3.8	3.4	3.3
Changes in working capital	21.5	-45.5	-1.8	29.6	54.1
Others	-7.5	2.2	33.3	-22.2	-16.8
Operating cash flow	30.1	0.1	104.4	96.0	94.3
Net capex	1.0	-0.4	-5.7	-2.4	-2.7
Others	1.6	2.4	-72.6	2.7	4.9
Investing cash flow	2.6	2.0	-78.3	0.3	2.2
Dividends paid	0.0	0.0	-15.9	-18.6	-11.6
Others	7.3	0.8	21.9	0.0	0.0
Financing cash flow	7.3	0.8	5.9	-18.6	-11.6
Net cash flow	40.0	2.9	32.0	77.7	85.0
Forex	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Others	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Beginning cash & cash equivalent	29.0	69.0	66.9	100.0	177.7
Ending cash & cash equivalent	69.0	71.9	99.0	177.7	262.7
Fixed deposits with licensed banks	10.0	9.2	107.1	9.2	9.2
Total cash & deposits	79.0	81.1	206.1	186.9	271.8

ESG Matrix Framework:

Environment

Parameters	Rating	Comments
Climate	★★★	Conduct life cycle analyses to identify opportunities for reducing energy use across construction activities. Sources materials locally to reduce the energy required for transportation and logistics, thereby lowering overall carbon footprint produced.
Waste & Effluent	★★★	Recycled 60.6% of waste generated in FY2024, a significant improvement from 27% in FY23. Zero water discharge into rivers, lakes, streams, or ponds in FY24, with all effluents channelled into public sewer systems.
Energy	★★★	Total energy consumption stood at 23,050.44 GJ in FY24, a 29% decrease from 32,673.44 GJ in FY23.
Water	★★★	Conducts periodic water quality surveys at key locations across all project sites, measuring parameters such as Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD), Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD), and suspended solids. The results are benchmarked against Malaysia's National Water Quality Standards to ensure compliance.
Compliance	★★★	In compliance with local environmental regulations.

Social

Diversity	★★	Male-dominated workforce, 71% male and 29% female composition for office-based employees.
Human Rights	★★★	0 human rights violations and incidence of non-compliance with regards to labour matters recorded in FY24.
Occupational Safety and Health	★★	Possesses ISO 45001:2018 certification and project-specific SHASSIC certifications. 1 fatal accident at work site recorded in FY24.
Labour Practices	★★★	Meets the standards mandated by the Workers' Minimum Standards of Housing, Accommodations, and Amenities (Amendment) Act 2019.

Governance

CSR Strategy	★★★	Channelled 99.98% (RM185.2m) of its supplier spending to local businesses while also contributing RM14,400 to charitable and community initiatives benefiting four external organisations.
Management	★★★	1/6 female board composition, 3/6 independent directors.
Stakeholders	★★★	Major announcements and financial reports were announced in timely manner.

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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(a) nil.