Market Data	
52-week high/low	SAR 64.90/46.25
Market Cap	SAR 50,000 mln
Shares Outstanding	1,000 mln
Free-float	40.91%
12-month ADTV	604,689
Bloomberg Code	ALMARAI AB



Net income Falls Sharply Q/Q

January 23, 2022

Upside to Target Price	2.0%	Rating	Neutral
Expected Dividend Yield	4.5%	Last Price	SAR 50.00
Expected Total Return	6.5%	12-mth target	SAR 51.00

Almarai Company	4Q2021	4Q2020	Y/Y	3Q2021	Q/Q	RC Estimate
Sales	4,257	3,820	11%	3,942	8%	3,986
Gross Profit	1,193	1,232	(3%)	1,276	(7%)	1,236
Gross Margins	28%	32%		32%		31%
Operating Profit	392	500	(22%)	519	(24%)	463
Net Profit	287	336	(15%)	409	(30%)	356

(All figures are in SAR mln)

- FY 2021 top-line is up by +3% Y/Y to SAR 15.8 bln due to strong volume growth in Egypt, Jordan and non-branded product sales while bottom-line fell by -21% Y/Y to SAR 1.6 bln due to lower margins which was impacted by structural reforms and surge in global commodities cost due to Covid-19. The structural adjustment related to subsidy reduction and higher feed cost (all alfalfa consumed is 100% imported) resulted in lower gross profit than last year.
- For 4Q2021, top-line is up +11% Y/Y and +8% Q/Q to SAR 4.3 bln supported by Bakery segment which was up by +22% followed by Dairy where both fresh and long-life dairy were up by +12% Y/Y as well as positive growth across all channels and countries except Bahrain.
- Gross Profit for the quarter declined by -3% Y/Y and by -7% Q/Q to SAR 1.2 bln, while the gross margin fell by -425 bps Y/Y to 28% this quarter due to farming and dairy commodity cost increases. This is in addition to higher international shipping cost and packaging costs.
- Almarai reported a net income of SAR 287 million (-15% Y/Y, -30% Q/Q) below our and market expectations due to lower margins and higher costs. We reduce our target price to SAR 51.00 but maintain our Neutral rating.

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Stock Rating

Buy	Neutral	Sell	Not Rated
Expected Total Return Greater than +15%	Expected Total Return between -15% and +15%	Expected Total Return less than -15%	Under Review/ Restricted

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