Dr. Sulaiman Al Habib Medical Services Group (HMG)

1Q2024 First Look

Margins Expand			April 28, 2024				
Upside to Target Price Expected Dividend Yield Expected Total Return	(1.6%) 1.7% 0.1%		Rating Last Price 12-mth target		et	Neutral SAR 315.00 SAR 310.00	
HMG	1Q2024	1Q2023	Y/Y	4Q2023	Q/Q	RC Estimate	
Sales	2,521	2,307	9%	2,486	1%	2,536	
Gross Profit	877	784	12%	868	1%	876	
Gross Margins	35%	34%		35%		35%	
Operating Profit	556	511	9%	534	4%	571	
Net Profit	551	489	13%	525	5%	535	

Market Data

52-week high/low	SAR 346.80/223.20			
Market Cap	SAR 110,250 mln			
Shares Outstanding	350 mln			
Free-float	29.17%			
12-month ADTV	218,917			
Bloomberg Code	SULAIMAN AB			



(All figures are in SAR mln)

- Revenues were recorded at SAR 2.52 bln for the first quarter, +9% higher Y/Y and +1% Q/Q, matching our SAR 2.54 bln forecast. Management commentary points to growth in all group operating segments with an increase in the number of patients contributing to growth in the hospital segment and an ancillary positive impact in the pharmacy segment.
- HMG witnessed an expansion in gross margins to 34.80% in 1Q2024 versus 34.55% in the preceding quarter and 33.97% in 1Q2023. This is one of the best quarterly gross margins logged in by the Company, likely on the back of greater efficiencies as revenues rise from new medical centers and higher occupancy in existing hospitals. Operating expenses declined by -4% Q/Q to SAR 321 mln, leading to a higher +4% sequential growth in operating profit to SAR 556 mln.
- Net income recorded a stellar +13% growth Y/Y and a +5% growth Q/Q, in-line with our SAR 535 mln forecast and market consensus of SAR 538 mln. Net margins also expanded on both a yearly and quarterly basis to 21.9%.
- The group is expected to add 500-600 beds in 2024. Five new hospitals (2 in Riyadh, 2 in Jeddah and 1 in Al Kharj) are
 expected to start operations within the year besides a medical center in Buraidah and expansion of the Qassim
 Hospital. This would start contributing to revenues and earnings gradually from 2024 as they ramp up. We believe these
 expansions are already incorporated in the stock price. Trading at close to our target price of SAR 310.00, we maintain
 our neutral stance.

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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

The expected percentage returns are indicative, stock recommendations also incorporate relevant qualitative factors For any feedback on our reports, please contact research@riyadcapital.com

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