

FY19 Financial Results

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FY19 Executive Summary



Mobile revenue grew 4.2% YoY from subscriber base and ARPU growth

- Subscriber base and ARPU grew 2% YoY as the overall price competition ease from FY18.
- Unlimited data package as well as prepaid to postpaid migration continue to drive 4G data consumption to an average of 12.7GB/user/month.

Fixed broadband achieved 1 million subscribers and reached 10%subscriber market share

- AIS Fibre grew 29% YoY in revenue to Bt5,722mn, which accounted for 4% of core service revenue and is making positive contribution to NPAT.
- Successfully gained 307k subscriber net add by offering competitive fiber-to-home and cross selling with existing mobile subscriber base. FMC subscribers to total FBB subscribers accounts for 39% of total FBB subscribers.*

Digital service continue to grow

- Video platform reached more than 2mn active users
- Enterprise revenue accounted for 10% of service revenue and is still growing along with the guideline.

Achieved FY19 guidance

- AIS overall FY19 performance was in line with the guidance
- Service revenue of Bt140,454mn grew 5.3% YoY against the guideline of mid-single digit growth.
- EBITDA margin maintained at 42.8% versus 43.4% in FY18
- CAPEX was Bt20bn in line with the guidance budgeted for Bt20-25bn.

4Q19 & FY19 Financial Highlights (Pre-TFRS15)

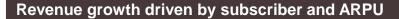


	This table is based on pre-TFRS 15										
Bt mn	4Q18	3Q19	4Q19	%YoY	%QoQ	FY18	FY19	%YoY			
Mobile revenue	31,426	32,880	32,716	4 4.1%	▼0.5%	124,784	130,062	▲ 4.2%			
FBB revenue	1,212	1,475	1,579	^30%	▲ 7.0%	4,436	5,722	▲29%			
Other revenues	1,045	1,172	1,276	^22%	▲8.9%	4,208	4,670	▲ 11%			
Core service revenue	33,683	35,527	35,571	▲5.6 %	▲0.1 %	133,429	140,454	▲ 5.3%			
IC and TOT partnership	3,202	4,278	3,443	▲7.5 %	▼20%	10,576	13,557	▲28%			
Service revenue	36,885	39,804	39,014	\$5.8%	▼ 2.0%	144,005	154,010	▲ 6.9%			
SIM and device sales	7,699	5,652	10,449	^36 %	\$ 85%	25,851	29,422	▲ 14%			
Total revenues	44,584	45,457	49,464	▲11%	▲8.8%	169,856	183,432	▲8.0%			
Cost of service	(20,383)	(20,748)	(20,752)	▲1.8%	flat	(76,700)	(81,487)	▲6.2 %			
SG&A	(6,968)	(7,227)	(8,807)	▲26%	▼22%	(26,295)	(30,526)	▲ 16%			
EBITDA*	18,071	21,135	19,305	^6.8%	₹8.7%	73,792	78,463	^6.3%			
EBIT*	9,152	11,563	9,547	4 4.3%	▼17%	39,913	41,234	▲ 3.3%			
NPAT*	6,839	8,679	7,032	^2.8%	▼19%	29,682	31,051	4 .6%			
Sales margin	-4.3%	-4.2%	-2.0%	▲230bps	▲220bps	-3.5%	-3.4%	▼10bps			
EBITDA margin*	40.5%	46.5%	39.0%	▼150bps	▼750bps	43.4%	42.8%	▼70bps			
EBIT margin*	20.5%	25.4%	19.3%	▼120bps	▼610bps	23.5%	22.5%	▼100bps			
NPAT margin*	15.3%	19.1%	14.2%	▼110bps	▼490bps	17.5%	16.9%	▼50bps			

^{*}Included one-time expense of Bt479mn (before tax) for TOT Partnership in 3Q19. See page 7 for normalization

Mobile: Revenue grew as subscriber and ARPU rose

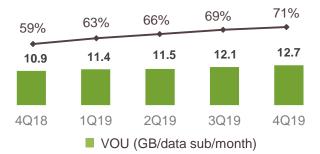






 Mobile revenue robustly grew 4.2% YoY with subscriber increase and price improvement from FY18.

4G Penetration to total base (%)



 Data consumption still see an increasing trend with 4G penetration rate reached 71%

Subscriber and ARPU improvement

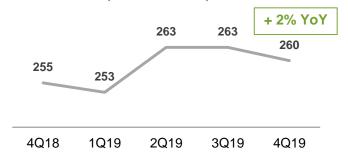


 Postpaid subscribers steadily grew driven by pre- to post- migration and handset campaigns.

prepaid —Total subscribers

Blended ARPU (Bt/sub/month)

postpaid

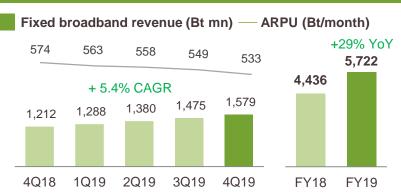


Blended ARPU increased as price competition improved.

FBB: Contributed positive NPAT with 1mn subscribers







- FBB grew 29% YoY, accounting for 4% of service revenue.
- ARPU declining from FMC offering and price competition.

Enhanced quality subscriber growth



- Strong growth with net add of 307k subscribers
- Achieved 10% subscribers market share

Constantly improving coverage and quality

Achieved 1mn subscribers driving its scale to turn its net profit positive.

 Leverage on FMC and mobile subscriber base, which accounts for 86% of the subscribers.



1mn

Subscribers

Non-FMC 61%





High speed network and enhanced equipment



- Offer 1Gbps SuperMESH Wi-Fi with full house coverage— 2 mesh wifi routers.
- Exclusive deal packaged with AIS variety of contents in Playbox.





^{*}FMC subscribers are mobile subscribers that receive promotional FBB package

Digital service: Expand strategic digital services for both AIS enterprise and consumer



Enterprise: Repositioned to be #1 service provider



Revenue from enterprise, including mobile airtime, grew to 10% of core service revenue

Enterprise revenue breakdown

Non-airtime services include



EDS

Comprises of enterprise connection services, security and managed services



DC & CLOUD

- 9 data centers across Thailand
- Growing data management demand



IOT/M2M

Expanding partners to innovate new services using IoT/NB-IoT potentials.



ICT

Offers integrated services of IT solution, Application development, system solution and software.

Strengthened engaging consumer platforms

Video







PLAYBOX

 Reach more than 2mn active subscribers through AIS Playbox, application, and website

Mobile money



rabbit LINE Pay

Active

■ Registered, but not active

Comprehensive payment platform complementing digital life service

Insurance

Established an insurance broker company through online channel.









Advertisement

 Data-driven marketing through "THAN" – Advertising for Thais

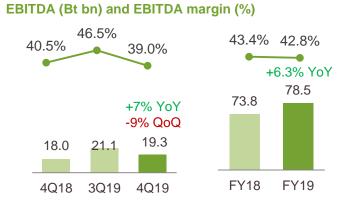
Games

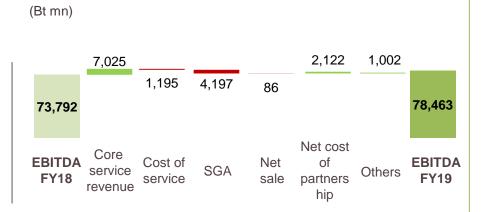
Stimulate & facilitate Thais' eSports with 4 strategies: Connect, Compete, Share, & Educate

Profit rose from both revenue and cost improvement









 YoY EBITDA grew from core service revenue growth and a cost well under controlled. EBITDA QoQ decreased from one-time recognition of TOT partnership saving in 3Q19 and high marketing expense in 4Q19.

Cost of service ex. IC (net TOT)

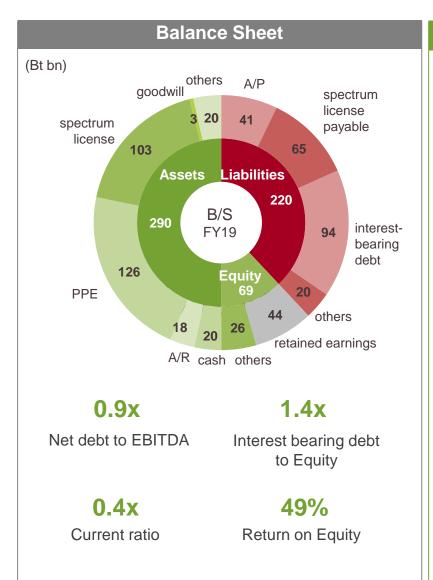
 Saving on TOT partnership lowered %cost of service to revenue to 48.5%

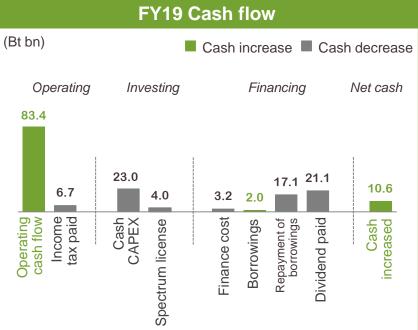


 YoY net profit increased by 4.6% due to growth in core service and cost saving from TOT settlement, which was partly offset by marketing expense.

Maintained financial flexibility for future growth







Operating cash flow in FY19 was sufficient to fund both CAPEX, debt repayment, and dividend.

Investing cash flow was Bt23bn while FY19 budgeted CAPEX was Bt20-25bn

Average finance costs = 3.04% p.a.

- · Maintained investment grade credit ratings
 - Fitch: national rating AA+ (THA), outlook stable
 - S&P: BBB+, outlook stable



APPENDIX

Impact from TFRS 16

(high interest expense)



New account standard to replace TAS17, affective on 1 January 2020

 AIS's major operating leases to be transferred: tower and site rental, long term roaming contract with TOT on 2100MHz, office and shop building and transmissions

Previous standard (TAS 17) Operating lease Rental expense Cash flow from operating activities (Rental expense)

New standard (TFRS 16)

Finance lease

Assets: Right of use (ROU) **Liabilities:** Lease liability

Accounting transactions incurred

- Depreciation expense
- Interest expense
- Deferred tax

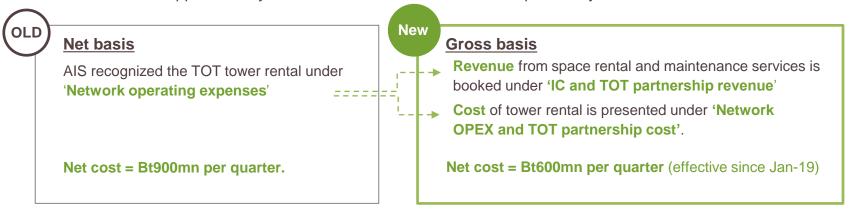
Cash flow from financing activities (Finance lease payment)

Profit and Loss Higher EBITDA (decrease in rental expense and increase in depreciation) Higher Assets Lower net profit in the beginning (big interest are an analyse) Higher Iiabilities Cash Flow Increase in cash flow from operating activities Decrease in cash flow from financing activities

Impact from TOT partnership



Tower agreement: With dispute of tower ownership settled, AIS agreed to rent towers from TOT who will rent the space and use maintenance services from AWN for 10 years, effective from 1-Jan-19. The agreement effectively incurred a net cost of approximately Bt200mn/month in 2019 vs Bt300m previously.



Net impact of cost-saving from new TOT agreement <u>for 1H19:</u> Bt600mn Net impact of cost-saving from new TOT agreement <u>for 3Q19:</u> Bt300mn



2G equipment: AIS agreed to settle rental dispute and to purchase 2G equipment from TOT for Bt244mn, effectively discontinues the rent from Sep-19 onward. (Since Jul-15, AWN has paid for the use of 2G equipment at Bt167mn/month.)

AlS recognized the 2G equipment rental under 'Network operating expenses'
Net cost = Bt500mn per quarter. New

Effectively discontinued the rent from 3Q19 onward

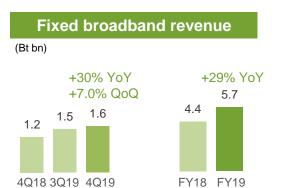
Net impact of cost-saving from 2G equipment buyback for 3Q19: Bt500mn

4Q19 & FY19 Revenue Breakdown

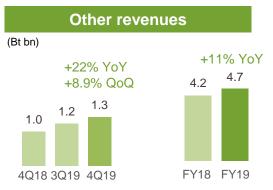


(Bt bn) +4.2% YoY +4.1% YoY flat QoQ 32.9 32.7 124.8 130.1

- FY19 growth was mainly due to postpaid price uplift and increase in subscriber base.
- High competition in 4Q19 led to flat growth QoQ



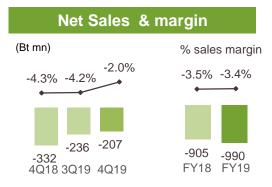
 Revenue growth of 29% was due to the actively subscriber acquisition of 307k in FY19.



 Other revenues grew 11% YoY mainly driven form enterprise EDS growth.



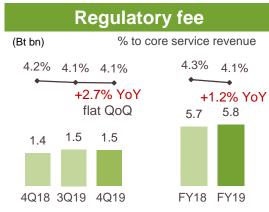
- In FY19, the increase was due to TOT settlement
- The 20% decrease in 4Q19 was from the recognition of TOT settlement in 3Q19.



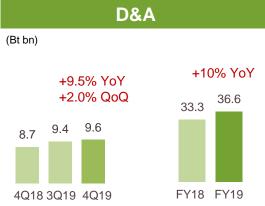
 FY19, continued handset campaigns led to slightly increase in negative net sale. However, % sales margin improved

4Q19 & FY19 Cost Breakdown





 Regulatory fee remain fairly constant at 4.1% to core service revenue.

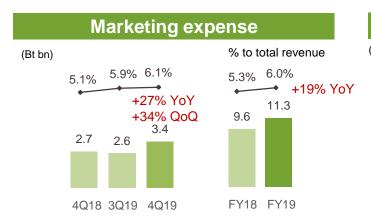


 Continued investment in 4G network, FBB, and 1800MHz spectrum license (acquired Sep-18)



Network OPEX

 The decrease of 5.5% YoY was from the new TOT contract. 3Q19 recorded a one-time cost saving accumulated from the beginning of the year.



- Investment in brand perception and handset subsidies resulting in +19% YoY marketing expense
- +34% QoQ, the spike came from subsidies new IPhone 11, brand investment, and special anniversary campaign.



 15% YoY increase was from a one-time legal severance pay in 2Q19 and the increase in marketing expense.

Mobile: Growing net add with rising data usage

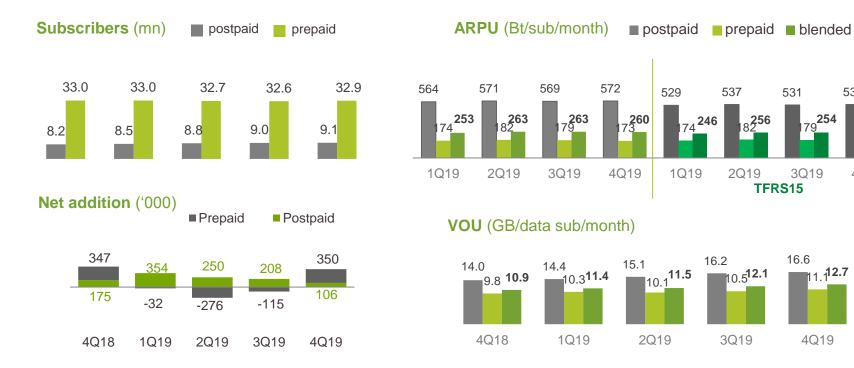


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- Mobile subscribers was at 42mn gaining net add of 845k subscribers in FY19.
- · Postpaid subscribers grew steadily with net add of 918k in FY19.
- Prepaid subscribers net add reduced 73k from pre- to post- migration trend.

- Blended ARPU increased to Bt260 as price competition improved from FY18.
- Blended VOU increased to 12.7GB. The increasing trend is due to pre- to post- migration and unlimited plan; however, the growth in FY19 became more modest.

4Q19 & FY19 Financial Highlights (Post-TFRS15)



	Post-TFRS 15								
Bt mn	1Q19	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19	%QoQ	FY19			
Mobile revenue	30,678	32,042	31,851	31,770	▼0.3%	126,341			
FBB revenue	1,288	1,380	1,475	1,579	▲ 7.0%	5,722			
Other revenues	1,078	1,083	1,136	1,213	▲6.8%	4,509			
Core service revenue	33,044	34,505	34,461	34,562	^0.3%	136,572			
IC and TOT partnership	2,995	2,841	4,278	3,443	▼20%	13,557			
Service revenue	36,039	37,346	38,739	38,005	▼1.9%	150,129			
SIM and device sales	7,222	6,736	5,994	10,813	▲80%	30,765			
Total revenue	43,262	44,081	44,733	48,818	▲9.1%	180,894			
Cost of service	(19,817)	(20,170)	(20,748)	(20,752)	flat	(81,487)			
SG&A	(6,262)	(7,047)	(6,331)	(8,100)	^ 28%	(27,740)			
EBITDA	18,868	19,169	21,307	19,366	▼9.1%	78,710			
EBIT	10,021	10,118	11,734	9,277	▼21%	41,150			
NPAT	7,570	7,754	8,800	7,065	▼20%	31,190			
Sales margin	0.9%	0.4%	1.8%	1.5%	▼30bps	1.1%			
EBITDA margin	43.6%	43.5%	47.6%	39.0%	▼860bps	43.3%			
EBIT margin	23.2%	23.0%	26.2%	19.0%	▼720bps	22.7%			
NPAT margin	17.5%	17.6%	19.7%	14.5%	▼520bps	17.2%			



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