

## **3Q21 Financial Results**

Advanced Info Service Plc.

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## **3Q21 Executive Summary**



## Slight revenue improvement despite COVID restriction measures and continued competition

- Despite a weak economy and intense price competition, we generated a slight increase in service revenue (+2.1% YoY and 1.4% QoQ).
- Cost optimization was continued even as we expanded 5G network, resulting in higher cost of service but lower SG&A. Reported NPAT was 6.4bn, -2.1% YoY, and -9.5% QoQ Excluding one-time items and FX loss, normalized NPAT was 6.7bn, +0.9% and -0.7% QoQ.

## Continuous 5G subscriber growth and maintain a leading position in 5G development

- Our 5G network continued to expand with >10k BTS and reached 42% of population
- 5G subscribers reached 1.5mn or 13% of postpaid subs. ARPU uplift maintained around 10-15%.
- We still aim to achieve 2mn 5G subscribers. The key drivers would be
  a higher data volume of 5G package comparing to 4G package,
  iPhone13 as well as more affordable devices coming to Thailand.

## Expand into potential growth areas of digital lending and new products in VDO and 5G enterprise

- AIS announced a Bt300mn joint investment in digital lending business,
   'AISCB', expecting to launch service in 1Q22.
- AIS Play, the VDO service, has added two new premium channels from BBC World News and BBC Lifestyle.
- AIS enterprise business introduced new 5G services i.e. 5G FWA+,
   5G network slicing, and smart manufacturing.

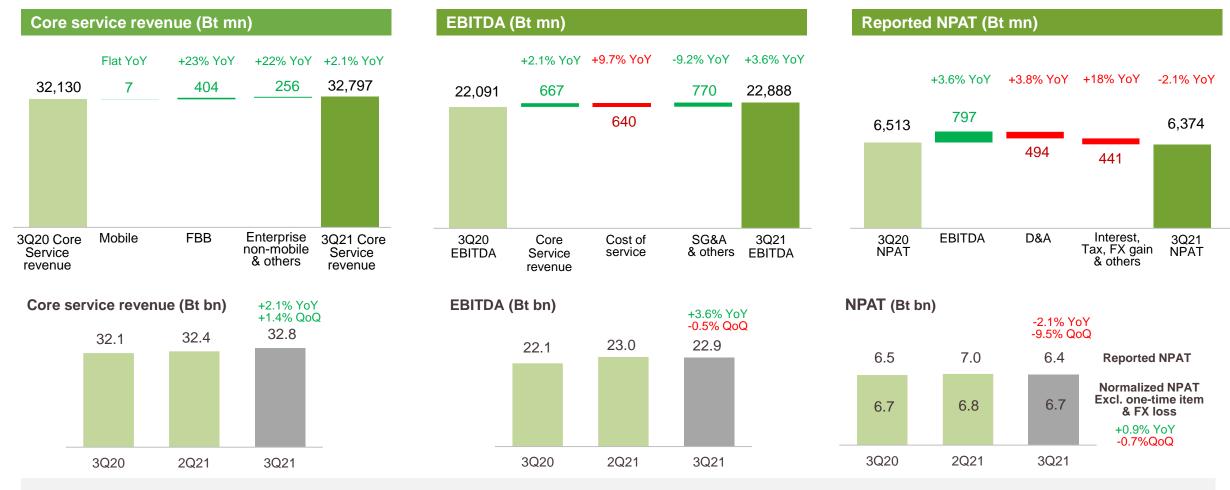
### Full year guidance maintained

- For 9M21, AIS delivered a flat core service revenue and slight increase in EBITDA, in-line with full year guidance.
- FY21 guidance is maintained as we started to see improvements on consumption with the shop re-openings since Sep-21 with the lifting of lockdown measures.
- Our network capex remains between 25-30bn to ensure that we continued invest for leadership

### **3Q21 Performance:**

## AIS

### Revenue slightly improved amid prolonged COVID & price competition



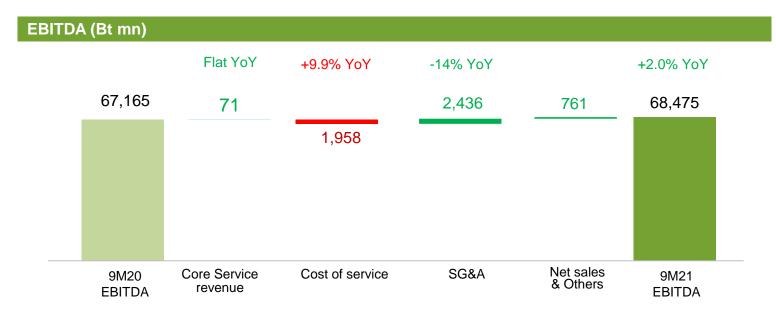
- Core service revenue increased YoY and QoQ on the back of a continuing growth in both fixed broadband and enterprise revenue while mobile was flat.
- EBITDA rose YoY following increase in core service revenue & ongoing cost optimization while dropped QoQ due to higher cost of service from our 5G investment
- NPAT decreased -2.1% YoY mostly due to unrealized foreign exchange loss and increase in D&A and -9.5% QoQ from one-time income in 2Q21. Normalized net profit increased 0.9% YoY while decreased -0.7% QoQ.

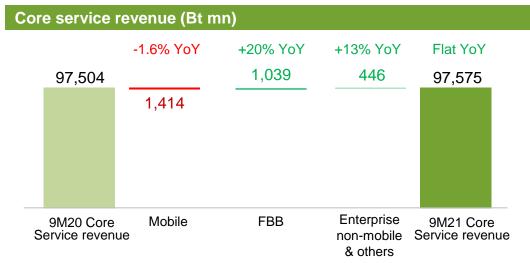
### 9M21 Performance:

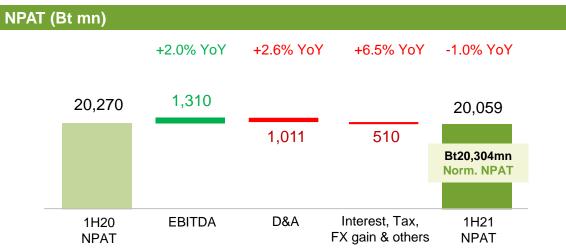


### AIS delivered a flat core service revenue and slight increase in EBITDA

- EBITDA increased YoY despite flat service revenue, compensate by wellcost control.
- NPAT decreased -1% YoY as D&A increased from spectrum license of 700MHz and 2.6GHz acquired in 9M21

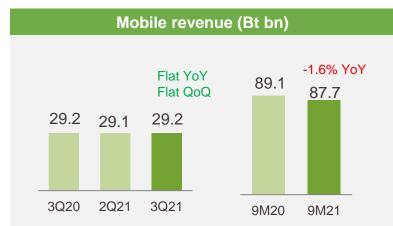






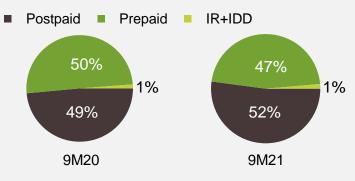
### Mobile: Soft consumer spending offset by our movement to retain market share



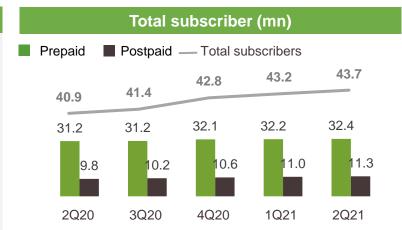


 Mobile business was driven by soft consumer spending offset by our movement to retain market share and build-up 5G perception

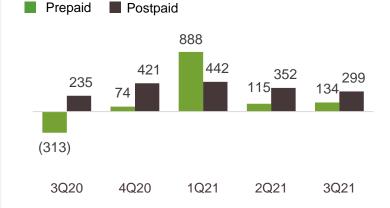
#### % Mobile Revenue Contribution



 Postpaid growth continued its momentum as the trend of customers moving from prepaid into postpaid subscription continued



#### **Net additional subscriber ('000)**



 Despite COVID restriction in 3Q, online channels, tele sales and temporary shops were in key role to acquire new subscribers and provide services to existing customers

#### Mobile ARPU (Bt/sub/month) 498 486 480 471 470 Postpaid Blended 237 234 232 225 -5.9% YoY -0.6% QoQ 157 154 150 138 Prepaid 142 4Q20 1Q21 2Q21 3Q21 3Q20

 Soft consumer spending and price competition on unlimited data plans has remained pressure ARPU

#### **Data consumption**

3Q20

Blended VOU (GB/data sub/month) — %QoQ growth

1.3% 5.0% 0.8% 8.2% 15%

17.2 18.0 18.2 19.7 22.6

 Accelerated surge in data usage as a result of the new phase of pandemic

1Q21

2Q21

3Q21

4Q20

# Continuous 5G subscriber scale expansion and maintain a leading position in 5G development



### **Healthy 5G Momentum**

Scaling 5G potential

5G package subscribers

1.5mn

5G handset on AIS network 1.6mn

**Monetization** 

5G ARPU uplift **▲**10-15%

**5G ARPU >Bt600** 

R1 5G SA Start at Bt1,390 Xiaomi Redmi Note 9T Start at Bt1,289 VIVO Y52 Start at Bt1,489 Realme 8 Start at Bt1.989





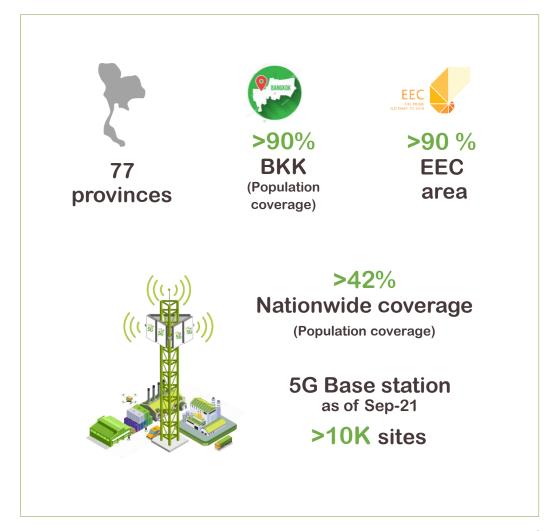






 Launched low tier models with the most affordable price in 3Q21

### **Expand 5G network to provide superior experience**



### Digital services: Expand further into digital lending & add on variety of contents



### **Expand into potential growth areas of digital lending**

AIS has announced a 50:50 Joint Venture Agreement with the Siam Commercial Bank (SCB) to form a JV under the name AISCB Co., Ltd.



- **Digital lending business**
- Initial capital of Bt600mn
- Expected to commence service early next year
- Focus on financial services.
  - · Handset financing
  - Personal loan
  - · Digital nano finance

#### Continued to add value and create differentiation

2 new premium channels available on AIS PLAY and PLAYBOX



#### Add on sport contents via Thai League program



#### **EXCLUSIVE ONLY ON AIS**

>800 matches AT PI AY

Partnered to expand MAU on AIS Virtual Store







**Expanded strategic** distribution channel







PowerBuy to provide **E-Ordering** services

### FBB: Solid growth in subscribers and revenue momentum

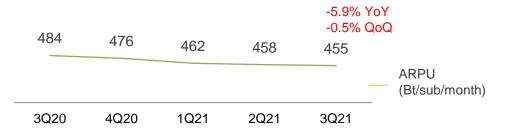


### FBB continued to deliver double-digit growth



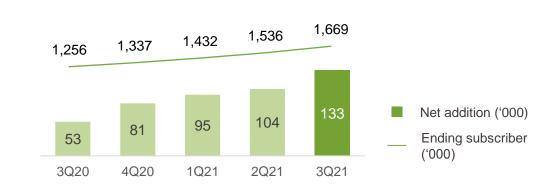
 Double-digit growth driven by strong subscriber demand in working and studying from home, offset by continued low price offering

### ARPU remained low from popularity toward low-price entry plan



 ARPU slightly decreased due to the low-price plan at around Bt399 and some targeted discount in certain area.

#### Solid subscriber demand in working and studying from home



 Demand for home connection has boosted our subscriber growth to 1.67mn, exceeding our target of 1.6mn subs by the end of this year

#### AIS Fibre continues to build customer perception

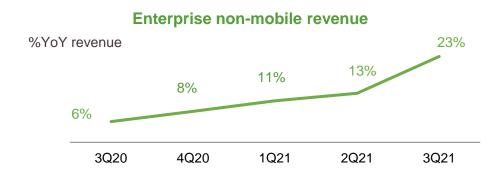


 Focus on building customer perception around service quality offering 24month contracts with guaranteed quality service key differentiation

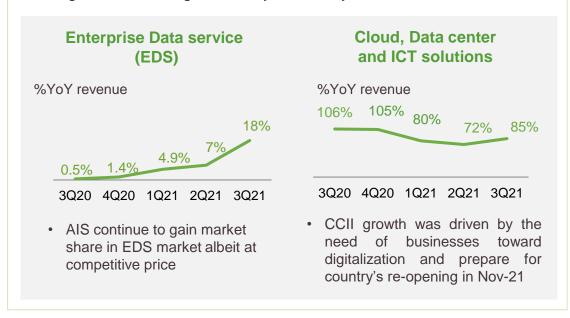
### Enterprise services boosted by work from anywhere during the pandemic



#### Strong Growth in Enterprise business during prolonged pandemic



 Non-mobile enterprise business grew due to increased demand for digital solutions e.g. Cloud, Cybersecurity and ICT solutions





Smart Building Smart Village

### New services provide to Enterprise segment



#### Offer additional services to reach new markets



Launched eFBB services and complete SME packages in order to target small size business and win market share

AIS SME 75







#### Launched new 5G services for Business

### 5G FWA+ / 5G Network slicing / Private network / MEC

5G FWA+



More convenient to set up High performance QoS guarantee\*\* Dedicated Network Guarantee\*

5G MEC



Enabling cloud computing capabilities at the edge of mobile network to reduce the physical distance of communication

5G Network Slicing



Creating pre-defined, differing levels of services to serve enterprise vertical requirements

5G Private Network



Providing dedicated network to optimize and secure to meet specific needs of vertical application

**Higher Speed** 

**Better Latency** 

Fast to Set up

Easy to relocate

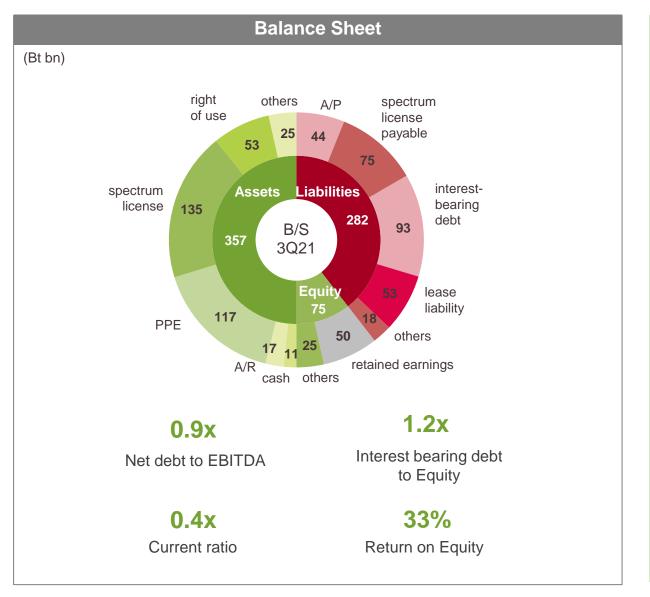


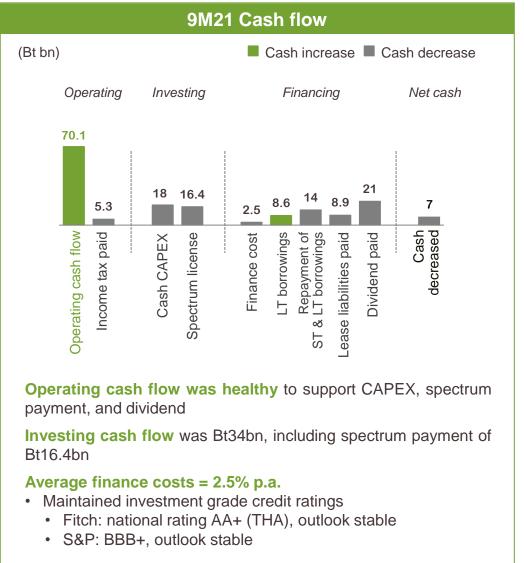
Smart 5G Factory
Als collaborated with BOSC



### Healthy Balance sheet and cash flow to support investment









## **2021 Guidance**

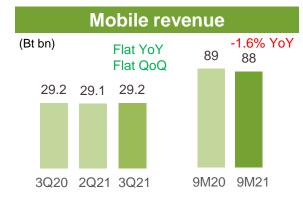
| FY21 guided items         | Guidance                 | Rationale  |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Core service revenue      | Flat to slightly decline | <ul> <li>Mobile revenue to continue under pressure due to weak consumer spending</li> <li>Home broadband to maintain growth momentum and outpace the industry growth</li> <li>Enterprise business is anticipated to continue delivering double digit growth</li> </ul>                                       |
| EBITDA                    | Flat                     | Focus on cost optimization for operation and SG&A  |
| CAPEX *excluding spectrum | Bt25-30bn                | <ul> <li>5G/4G network, FBB, digital and enterprise services</li> <li>Build 5G leadership and 4G quality to deliver superior quality in selective are with high 5G device penetration</li> <li>Focus on delivering 5G user experience, ensure good 5G coverage and expand 5G as penetration grows</li> </ul> |



## **APPENDIX**

### 3Q21 & 9M21 Revenue breakdown





 Flat YoY and QoQ from soft consumer spending offset by our movement to retain market share

### Fixed broadband revenue



 Strong subscriber base to 1.7mn due to work and study from home, offset by continued low price offering

#### Other service revenues





 Growth driven by demand for Cloud, Data center and ICT solution as well as the introduction of new services

### IC and TOT partnership



 Decreased YoY following lower IC revenue but increase QoQ due to higher network traffic

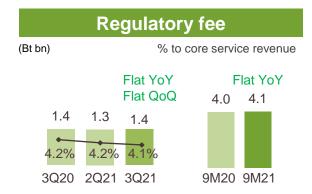
### **Net Sales & margin**



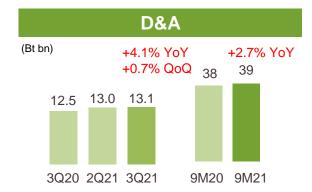
 Sim & Device margin was slightly negative at -0.5% in 3Q21 due to decline in high margin devices sale

### 3Q21 & 9M21 Cost breakdown

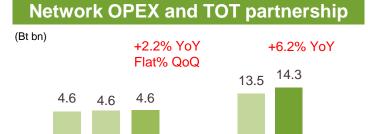




 Regulatory fee was flat YoY and QoQ aligned with the revenue

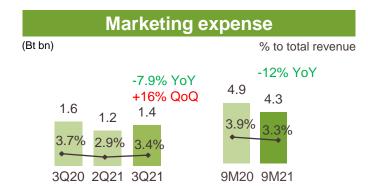


 D&A increased YoY from 700MHz spectrum license and 26GHz spectrum license acquired in 9M21



 Increased YoY and QoQ mostly due to keep strengthening 5G investment

9M20 9M21



 Dropped YoY from lower marketing campaign and limited activities during the pandemic while rose QoQ owing to low base in 2Q21



3Q20 2Q21 3Q21

 Decreased YoY mainly from significant decline in bad debt provision



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