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EARNINGS UPDATE

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CO-OP GROUP: 52 WEEK PRICE PERFORMANCE

CO-OP GROUP: 1H22 EARNINGS UPDATE

Dear All,

Co-op Group released its 1H22 results reporting a 55.7% y-o-y growth in after tax profits to KES 11.5 BN. The rise in profitability was mainly underpinned by a 28.8% y-o-y rise in non-funded income to KES 13.3 BN, an 11.8% y-o-y growth in net interest income to KES 21.1 BN and a 19.6% y-o-y reduction in loan loss provisions to KES 3.3 BN. EPS for the period inched higher by 55.7% y-o-y to KES 1.95 (1H21: KES 1.26).

Below please find key highlights:

Net interest income rose by 11.8% y-o-y to KES 21.1 BN, buoyed by a 10.1% y -o-y growth in total interest income to KES 28.6 BN offsetting a 5.5% growth in total interest expenses to KES 7.5 BN. The annualized yield on interest earning assets improved by 28 bps y-o-y to 11.0% while the annualized cost of funds remained flat at 3.2% on a y-o-y basis; the resulting effect was a 27 bps y-o-y increase in the net interest margin (NIM) to 7.8%.

Interest income from loans and advances went up by 9.4% y-o-y to KES 18.5 BN supported by a 9.6% y-o-y growth in the net loan book to KES 330.1 BN as the annualized yield on loans remained relatively flat at 11.6% (+5 bps y-o-y). Interest income from government and investment securities increased by 11.9% y-o-y to KES 9.9 BN, driven by a 47 bps y-o-y rise in the annualized yield on government securities to 10.7%. The group's portfolio of investment and government securities experienced an uptick of 0.8% y-o-y to KES 184.9 BN (1H21: KES 183.4 BN).

Interest expenses arising from customer deposits edged up by 5.9% y-o-y to KES 6.8 BN supported by a 3.8% y-o-y rise in customer deposits to KES 423.0 BN, as the annualized cost of customer deposits remained flat at 3.3%.

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(Source: NSE, DBIB Research)

| PRICE | ABSOLUTE | EXCESS |
|---------------|----------|--------|
| RETURN | RETURN | RETURN |
| 3 months (%) | 7.0 | 2.6 |
| 6 months (%) | (5.8) | 1.7 |
| 12 months (%) | (12.2) | 1.6 |

KEY METRICS

| 12.25 |
|---------------|
| 10.70 - 13.95 |
| (5.4) |
| 5,867.2 |
| 601.0 |
| 3.54 |
| 16.49 |
| 3.5 |
| 0.7 |
| - |
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Non-funded income improved by 28.8% y-o-y to KES 13.3 BN largely driven by a 103.7% y-o-y jump in fees and commissions on loans and advances to KES 5.5 BN. Forex trading income went up by 48.1% y-o-y to KES 2.0 BN while other fees and commissions edged up by 2.4% y-o-y to KES 5.4 BN. The contribution of non-funded income to total operating income inched higher by 330 bps y-o-y to 38.7% (1H21: 35.4%).

The group's operating expenses (excluding provisions) scaled by 8.8% y-o-y to KES 15.8 BN driven by a 13.6 % y-o-y increase in other expenses to KES 6.6 BN and an 8.6% y-o-y rise in staff costs to KES 7.1 BN. Owing to a faster rise in total operating income (+17.8% y-o-y to KES 34.4 BN) vis-à-vis the growth registered in operating expenses (sans provisions), the group's cost-to-income ratio came down by 383 bps y-o-y to 46.0% (1H21: 49.9%).

The group's gross non-performing loans increased marginally by 0.7% y-o-y to KES 51.2 BN while interest in suspense declined by 12.3% y-o-y to KES 6.0 BN. Owing to these movements, total NPLs (gross NPLs less interest in suspense) edged up by 2.7% y-o-y to KES 45.2 BN. The group's estimated NPL ratio declined by 102 bps y-o-y to 13.4% -- reflecting an improvement in asset quality. Loan loss provisions dwindled by 19.6% y-o-y to KES 3.3 BN placing the estimated annual-ized cost of risk at 2.0%, down from 2.8% in 1H21.

Net loans and advances to customers rose by 9.6% y-o-y to KES 330.1 BN (+1.7% q-o-q). Government and investment securities rose marginally by 0.8% y-o-y to KES 184.9 BN (-0.1% q-o-q). On the funding side, **customer deposits increased by 3.8% y-o-y to KES 423.0 BN (+3.0% q-o-q)** while borrowed funds declined by 6.9% y-o-y to KES 41.4 BN (-4.4% q-o-q). Loan-to-deposit ratio soared by 414 bps y-o-y to 78.0% in line with the loan-to-deposit and borrowed funds ratio which climbed by 446 bps y-o-y to 71.1%.

The group's core capital ratio (Core capital/TRWA) improved by 20 bps y-o-y to 15.5% while the total capital ratio (Total capital/TRWA) fell by 40 bps y-o-y to 16.6%. Both ratios remain above the statutory minimum of 10.5% and 14.5% respectively. Co-op bank's core capital ratio remained unchanged at 15.4% while the total capital ratio contracted by 60 bps y-o-y to 16.6%. Both ratios remain above the statutory minimum of 10.5% and 14.5% respectively. The group's liquid-ity ratio declined by 490 bps y-o-y to 50.8% in concert with the bank's liquidity ratio which decreased by 480 bps y-o-y to 43.8%. Both liquidity ratios, however, remain above the statutory minimum requirement of 20.0%

On a trailing basis, Co-op Group is currently trading at a P/E multiple of 3.5x against an industry median of 3.6x and a P/B multiple of 0.7x commensurate with the industry median. Its ROE stands at 21.4% while its ROA stands at 3.4%.

PROFIT AND LOSS SUMMARY (KES MN)

| Year End: December | 1H22 | 1H21 | y-y% ch | 2q22 | 1q22 | 2q21 | y-y% ch | q-q% ch |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Interest income | 28,574 | 25,960 | 10.1 | 14,573 | 14,001 | 12,512 | 16.5 | 4.1 |
| Interest expense | 7,519 | 7,128 | 5.5 | 3,890 | 3,629 | 3,510 | 10.8 | 7.2 |
| Net interest income | 21,055 | 18,832 | 11.8 | 10,683 | 10,373 | 9,002 | 18.7 | 3.0 |
| Other operating income | 432 | 1,028 | (58.0) | 158 | 273 | 915 | (82.7) | (42.0) |
| Fees and commission income | e 10,906 | 7,971 | 36.8 | 5,539 | 5,367 | 4,273 | 29.6 | 3.2 |
| Net income from forex dealing | ngs 1,961 | 1,324 | 48.1 | 1,194 | 767 | 611 | 95.4 | 55.7 |
| Total non-interest income | 13,299 | 10,323 | 28.8 | 6,892 | 6,407 | 5,800 | 18.8 | 7.6 |
| Total income | 34,354 | 29,155 | 17.8 | 17,575 | 16,780 | 14,802 | 18.7 | 4.7 |
| Less operating expenses | 15,814 | 14,538 | 8.8 | 8,334 | 7,480 | 7,566 | 10.1 | 11.4 |
| Operating profit | 18,540 | 14,618 | 26.8 | 9,241 | 9,299 | 7,236 | 27.7 | (0.6) |
| Bad debt charge | (3 <i>,</i> 345) | (4,158) | (19.6) | (1,801) | (1,544) | (1,877) | (4.0) | 16.7 |
| Exceptional items | - | 65 | (100.0) | (32) | 32 | 181 | (117.7) | (200.0) |
| Profit before income tax | 15,196 | 10,524 | 44.4 | 7,408 | 7,788 | 5,540 | 33.7 | (4.9) |
| Less tax | (3 <i>,</i> 815) | (3 <i>,</i> 159) | 20.8 | (1,861) | (1,954) | (1,631) | 14.2 | (4.7) |
| Profit after tax | 11,380 | 7,365 | 54.5 | 5,547 | 5,834 | 3,910 | 41.9 | (4.9) |
| Attributable Income | 11,380 | 7,365 | 54.5 | 7,925 | 3,456 | 3,910 | 102.7 | 129.3 |
| EPS (KES) | 1.95 | 1.26 | 55.13 | 0.96 | 0.99 | 0.67 | 44.0 | (2.6) |

(Source: Company, DBIB Research)

BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY (KES MN)

| Year End: December | 1H22 | 1Q22 | 1H21 | y-y% ch | <u>q-q% ch</u> | | |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|----------------|--|--|
| Total shareholder's equity | 96,726 | 102,698 | 92,619 | 4.4 | (5.8) | | |
| Minority interest | 261 | 400 | (20) | (1,419.9) | (34.6) | | |
| Total Equity | 96,988 | 103,097 | 92,599 | 4.7 | (5.9) | | |
| Deposits due to other banks | 10,887 | 6,361 | 4,260 | 155.6 | 71.1 | | |
| Customer deposits | 423,031 | 410,825 | 407,686 | 3.8 | 3.0 | | |
| Borrowed funds | 41,357 | 43,279 | 44,428 | (6.9) | (4.4) | | |
| Other liabilities | 31,659 | 33,423 | 24,035 | 31.7 | (5.3) | | |
| Total equity and liabilities | 603,922 | 596,986 | 573,009 | 5.4 | 1.2 | | |
| Central bank balances | 27,057 | 27,603 | 37,445 | (27.7) | (2.0) | | |
| Deposits due from banks | 15,153 | 14,099 | 12,987 | 16.7 | 7.5 | | |
| Investment securities | 184,930 | 185,038 | 183,376 | 0.8 | (0.1) | | |
| Held for dealing securities | - | - | - | - | - | | |
| Customer loans and advances | 330,056 | 324,483 | 301,191 | 9.6 | 1.7 | | |
| Other assets | 31,100 | 30,365 | 21,619 | 43.9 | 2.4 | | |
| Intangible assets | 7,324 | 6,823 | 6,813 | 7.5 | 7.3 | | |
| Fixed assets | 8,301 | 8,574 | 9,576 | (13.3) | (3.2) | | |
| Total assets | 603,922 | 596,986 | 573,009 | 5.4 | 1.2 | | |
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(Source: Company, DBIB Research)

INVESTMENT RETURN

| | 1H22 | 1Q22 | 1H21 | y-y bps ch | <u>q-q bps ch</u> |
|-----------|------|------|------|------------|-------------------|
| ROA (%)* | 3.8 | 3.9 | 2.6 | 120 | (14) |
| ROIC (%)* | 4.1 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 135 | (13) |
| ROE (%)* | 23.5 | 22.6 | 15.9 | 756 | 83 |

(Source: Company, DBIB Research)

*Annualized

CAPITAL ADEQUACY, LIQUIDITY & ASSET QUALITY

| 1H22 | 1Q22 | 1H21 | y-y bps ch | <u>q-q bps ch</u> |
|------|---|---|--|---|
| 15.4 | 15.4 | 15.4 | - | - |
| 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.5 | - | - |
| 16.6 | 16.7 | 17.2 | (60) | (10) |
| 14.5 | 14.5 | 14.5 | - | - |
| 43.8 | 46.4 | 48.6 | (480) | (260) |
| 20.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | - | - |
| 16.0 | 17.2 | 16.2 | (15) | (119) |
| | | - | | (239) |
| 13.4 | 13.2 | 14.4 | (102) | 20 |
| 63.0 | 60.3 | 57.9 | 511 | 265 |
| 6.8 | 7.2 | 7.8 | (91) | (40) |
| 15.2 | 16.3 | 14.6 | 61 | (110) |
| 16.5 | 17.5 | 15.8 | 70 | (102) |
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OPERATING PERFORMANCE

| | 1H22 | 1Q22 | 1H21 | y-y bps ch | <u>q-q bps ch</u> |
|--|------|------|------|------------|-------------------|
| Yield on interest earning assets (%)* | 11.0 | 10.9 | 10.8 | 28 | 15 |
| Cost of funds (%)* | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 1 | 6 |
| Net Interest Margin (%)* | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 27 | 9 |
| Loan-to-Deposits ratio (%) | 78.0 | 79.0 | 73.9 | 414 | (96) |
| Loan-to-Dep.& Borrowed Funds ratio (%) | 69.4 | 70.5 | 66.0 | 345 | (102) |
| Funded Income Generating Potential (%) | 87.8 | 87.7 | 86.8 | 95 | 7 |
| Funded Income Reliance (%) | 61.3 | 61.8 | 64.6 | (330) | (53) |
| Cost to income ratio (%) | 46.0 | 44.6 | 49.9 | (383) | 145 |
| Pre-tax margin (%) | 44.2 | 46.4 | 36.1 | 814 | (218) |
| PAT margin (%) | 33.1 | 34.8 | 25.3 | 786 | (164) |

(Source: Company, DBIB Research)

* Annualized

APPENDIX

COMPANY INVESTMENT RATINGS

Buy: Share price may generate more than 15.0% upside over the next 12 months

Overweight: Share price may generate between 5.0% and 15.0% upside over the next 12 months

Hold: Share price may fall within the range of <+5.0/ -10.0% over the next 12 months

Take Profit: Target price has been attained. Look to accumulate at lower levels. Company fundamentals however remain strong

Underweight: Share price may generate between 10.0% and 15.0% downside over the next 12 months

Sell: Share price may generate more than 15.0% downside over the next 12 months, significant business and/ or financial risks present, industry concerns

Not Rated: Counter is not within regular research coverage

SECTOR INVESTMENT RATINGS

Overweight: Industry performance better than that of the whole market

Equal weight: Industry performance about the same as that of the whole market

Underweight: Industry performance worse than that of the whole market

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