January 22, 2014 Equity Focus Rating: BUY TP: HK\$ 7.68

H-Share price (HK\$) Est. share price return Est. dividend yield Est. total return 5.50 39.64% 3.66% 43.30%

Previous Rating &TP Previous Report Date

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Key Data

52Wk H/L(HK\$)	8.55 / 3.83
Issued shares (mn)	996
H-Shares (mn)	402
A-Shares (mn)	594
Market cap	
H-shares (HK\$ mn)	2,211
A-Shares (RMB mn)	5,221
3-mth avg daily turnover (HK\$ mn)	26.9
Major shareholder(s) (%):	
YTO Group	44.52

Source(s): Company, Bloomberg, ABCI Securities

1H13 Revenue breakdown (%)

Agricultural Machinery	85.28
Power Machinery	12.83
Financial Leasing Income	0.50
Others	1.39
Source(s): Company, ABCI Securities	

Share performance (%)

	<u>Absolute</u>	Relative*
1-mth	(7.95)	(8.42)
3-mth	0.71	1.02
6-mth	16.91	11.74

*Relative to HSI

Source(s): Bloomberg, ABCI Securities



First Tractor (38 HK)

Agricultural mechanization to support long-term growth; reiterate BUY

- The PRC government will accelerate agricultural mechanization to boost farming efficiency and reduce labor required at times when rural workforce is shrinking under urbanization.
- Consolidation of the farming industry will accelerate as farmers were encouraged to franchise their lands to larger farming entities. Demand for agricultural machinery will be spurred by the increased farm size that enhances the economies of scale
- The counter is trading below the third quartile of its historical valuation at 0.86x FY14E P/B and 8.19x FY14 P/E., we deem the current valuation as undemanding. Reiterate **BUY** with TP at HK\$7.68 on favorable agriculture policy

No.1 Central Document (the Document) stressed rural development. Food security was prioritized, topping the reform list for 2014. In order to increase the stability of food supply, the PRC government will accelerate the agricultural mechanization to increase production efficiency and reduce the labor required in the face of a shrinking work force under urbanization. The rural population dropped 1.55% (or 12.6mn people) to 629.6mn people at end-2013 while the average level of mechanization in China was ~59% in 2013. MOA targets to boost national farm mechanization from 57.17% in 2012 to over 60%/70% by 2015/2020. We estimate the total subsidy for agricultural machinery purchases to increase from RMB 21.8bn in 2013 to RMB 23bn in 2014.

Rural land reform to speed up consolidation of agriculture. Another highlight of the Document is reform of rural land. New policy encourages farmers to franchise their lands to large-scale farming entities such as farmers' cooperatives and agricultural enterprises. We believe the consolidation will significantly raise agricultural productivity and the increased economies of scale will also spur demand for agricultural machinery.

Agricultural and fishery FAI is accelerating. The agricultural and fishery FAI in 4Q13 accelerated, bringing the yearly total to RMB 1,161bn, up 32.4% YoY, as compared to 29.8% in 9M13. Thanks to urbanization, agricultural and fishery FAI growth in the rural has been outpacing the overall FAI in China since 2012 (2013 FAI: +19.6% YoY). Increasing agriculture CAPEX reiterates the government's determination to modernize the farming industry. The Document also outlined initiatives to increase financial support to rural regions. All these will benefit the Group, the leading agricultural tractor maker in China, in the long term.

Reiterate BUY on positive prospects. The counter is trading below the third quartile of its historical valuation at 0.86x FY14E P/B and 8.19x FY14 P/E. We believe the Group will benefit from increased sales of high-powered tractor under China's reform to accelerate farm mechanization. Based on the Group's positive prospect, we reiterate BUY on First Tractor with TP at HK\$ 7.68, representing 1.2x FY14E P/B.

Risk factors: 1) Policy risk affecting sustainability of subsidy regime; 2) SG&A-to-revenue ratio increases on keen competition; 3) Expected earnings decline in FY13E

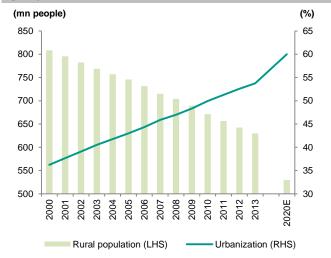
Results and Valuation

FY ended Dec 31	2011A	2012A	2013E	2014E	2015E
Revenue (RMB mn)	11,703	11,318	11,114	13,293	16,320
Chg (%,YoY)	14.00	(3.29)	(1.80)	19.61	22.77
Net Income (RMB mn)	440	349	306	537	799
Chg (%,YoY)	(18.97)	(20.68)	(12.37)	75.59	48.76
EPS (RMB)	0.520	0.351	0.307	0.539	0.802
P/E (x)		12.59	14.39	8.19	5.51
BVPS (RMB)	4.035	4.453	4.501	5.141	5.991
P/B (x)		0.99	0.98	0.86	0.74
DPS(RMB)	0.000	0.100	0.092	0.162	0.241
Yield (%)		2.27	2.09	3.66	5.45
ROAE (%)	13.25	8.90	6.86	11.18	14.41
Net gearing (%)	Net Cash				

*Net gearing=Net debt/Total equity

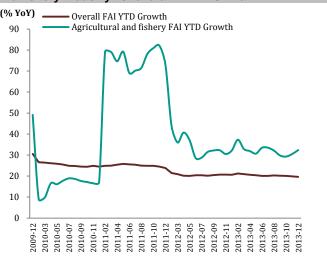
Source(s): Bloomberg, ABCI Securities estimates

Exhibit 1: Rural population and urbanization rate of China



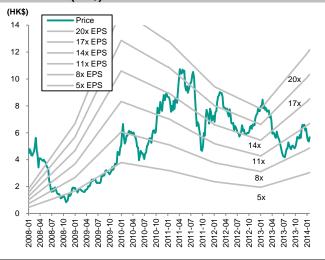
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Exhibit 2: Fixed-assets investment (FAI) in agricultural and fishery industry vs. overall FAI in China



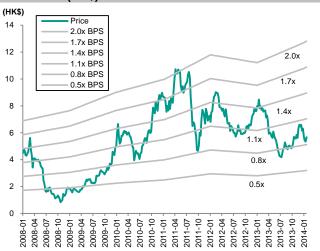
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Exhibit 3: P/E band of First Tractor (H-shares) in 1M08-1M14 (HK\$)



Source(s): Company, Bloomberg, ABCI Securities estimates

Exhibit 4: P/B band of First Tractor (H-shares) in 1M08-1M14 (HK\$)



Source(s): Company, Bloomberg, ABCI Securities estimates

Exhibit 5: Peer valuation					D/F	/v)	EDC /0/	(VoV)	D/P	/v\	POAF	(0/.)
		Mkt cap	21/0	<u>As of</u>)1/2014	P/E	(<u>x)</u>	EPS (%	0101)	<u>P/B</u>	(<u>x)</u>	ROAE	(%)
Company	Ticker	(HK\$ mn)	CRY	Share	FY13E	FY14E	FY13E	FY14E	FY13E	FY14E	FY13E	FY14E
Construction Machinery			1	Price								
Maker												
CATERPILLAR INC	CAT US	451,356	USD	91.44	16.74	15.95	(37.30)	5.00	3.23	2.90	23.99	29.44
KOMATSU LTD	6301 JP	152,009	JPY	2,087	13.80	12.90	14.03	6.93	1.55	1.46	13.28	12.12
SANY HEAVY INDUS	600031 CH	56,342	RMB	5.77	8.86	6.56	(13.20)	35.02	1.64	1.43	15.59	17.69
ZOOMLION HEAVY-H	1157 HK	9,295	HKD	6.50	8.31	7.47	(33.95)	11.25	0.88	0.77	11.19	11.01
ZOOMLION HEAVY-A	000157 CH	40,472	RMB	5.03	8.01	7.20	(33.95)	11.25	0.85	0.74	11.19	11.01
XCMG CONSTRUCT-A	000425 CH	18,168	RMB	6.87	7.05	7.23	(18.75)	(2.56)	0.76	0.70	10.82	10.10
GUANGXI LIUGONG	000528 CH	8,324	RMB	5.77	15.18	11.59	52.00	31.05	0.67	0.64	4.14	5.33
TEREX CORP	TEX US	36,381	USD	42.14	19.89	14.58	120.73	36.39	2.18	1.88	11.71	14.2
TADANO	6395 JP	14,334	JPY	1,494	15.31	13.49	68.69	13.51	1.97	1.75	7.95	13.75
SHANTUI CONST-A	000680 CH	4,677	RMB	2.94	127.83	43.88	(23.33)	191.30	0.80	0.78	(0.40)	1.80
XIAMEN XGMA-A	600815 CH	4,365	RMB	3.55	(16.14)	(44.38)	(237.50)	(63.64)	0.76	0.77	(4.49)	(1.72)
LONKING HOLDINGS Sector Weighted Average	3339 HK	6,891	HKD	1.61	10.66 15.39	8.33 13.59	243.80 (13.87)	28.04 10.44	0.80 2.45	0.72 2.21	7.87 18.80	9.09 22.03
Sector Weighted Average					13.33	13.33	(13.07)	10.44	2.43	2.21	10.00	22.03
Agricultural Machinery Maker												
DEERE & CO	DE US	257,383	USD	89.35	10.75	11.80	(9.48)	(8.90)	2.73	2.35	40.75	27.82
MAHINDRA & MAHIN	MM IN	70,846	INR	913.95	12.26	10.63	7.29	15.34	2.73	2.04	17.75	15.78
FIRST TRACTOR-H	38 HK	2,211	HKD	5.50	14.39	8.19	(12.46)	75.59	0.98	0.86	6.86	11.18
FIRST TRACTOR -A	601038 CH	6,693	RMB	8.79	28.63	16.30	(12.46)	75.59	1.95	1.71	6.86	11.18
ESCORTS LTD	ESC IN	1,861	INR	120.65	7.84	8.26	148.64	(5.12)	0.70	0.70	9.45	8.47
Sector Weighted Average					11.43	11.60	(5.18)	(1.60)	2.62	2.25	34.88	24.76
Mining Machinery Maker												
JOY GLOBAL INC	JOY US	44,503	USD	56.23	17.16	14.99	(34.85)	14.49	1.95	1.82	26.80	15.43
ZHENGZHOU COAL-H	564 HK	1,171	HKD	4.82	7.35	5.96	(46.30)	23.37	0.66	0.61	9.12	10.59
ZHENGZHOU COAL-A	601717 CH	9,841	RMB	5.57	10.58	8.58	(46.30)	23.37	0.95	0.87	9.12	10.59
TIAN DI -A	600582 CH	10,381	RMB	6.67	10.18	8.89	(29.95)	14.50	1.81	1.99	15.37	21.28
SANY HEAVY EQUIP	631 HK	6,690	HKD	2.20	12.28	11.18	(10.34)	9.82	0.93	0.87	7.66	7.94
LINZHOU HEAVY-A	002535 CH	4,609	RMB	6.70	9.82	9.57	58.60	2.64	1.48	1.30	10.97	14.49
SUNWARD INTELL-A	002097 CH	4,536	RMB	8.60	53.75	53.75	633.94	0.00	2.01	1.95	3.94	3.69
Sector Weighted Average					16.56	14.85	8.63	13.84	1.68	1.61	19.24	14.20
Machinery Parts Maker												
Marci												
CUMMINS INC	CMI US	200,184	USD	137.74	18.21	14.93	(12.96)	21.97	3.54	3.06	21.56	22.02
WEICHAI POWER-H	2338 HK	48,748	HKD	29.25	12.64	10.73	23.87	17.87	1.60	1.40	13.82	14.35
TAIYUAN HEAVY-A	600169 CH	8,546	RMB	2.75	20.37	27.50	(198.47)	(25.93)	1.18	1.13	5.96	4.20
CHINA YUCHAI	CYD US	6,371	USD	22.04	7.30	7.41	24.28	(1.49)	0.81	0.76	11.53	10.59
Sector Weighted Average					16.99	14.38	(11.26)	19.10	3.04	2.64	19.38	19.75
Industrial Machinery Maker												
VOLVO AB-B	VOLVB SS	229,799	SEK	90.00	32.10	17.05	(48.46)	88.23	2.34	2.24	6.64	13.45
ATLAS COPCO-A	ATCOA SS	259,722	SEK	180.80	17.88	16.85	(11.69)	6.12	5.52	4.86	32.12	29.66
HYUNDAI HEAVY	009540 KS	130,666	KRW	236,500	9.03	7.50	45.28	20.38	0.97	0.92	10.49	12.61
SANDVIK AB	SAND SS	139,049	SEK	92.90	16.87	14.79	(15.42)	14.06	3.37	3.06	18.75	19.93
DOOSAN HEAVY	034020 KS	28,593	KRW	37,050	4.61	4.19	(447.41)	10.00	0.86	0.78	19.01	19.51
MANITOWOC CO	MTW US	26,517	USD	25.60	20.40	17.00	62.99	20.00	4.51	3.51	24.85	24.93
ANHUI HELI CO-A	600761 CH	7,387	RMB	11.21	12.02	10.33	37.21	16.29	1.69	1.48	14.95	15.72
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Sector Weighted Average					19.84	14.58	(25.85)	33.37	3.31	2.98	18.45	20.14

Source(s): Bloomberg, ABCI Securities estimates



Consolidated income statement (2011A-2015E)

FY Ended Dec 31 (RMB mn)	2011A	2012A	2013E	2014E	2015E
Revenue	11,703	11,318	11,114	13,293	16,320
Agricultural Machinery	9,356	9,617	9,264	11,049	13,514
Power Machinery	1,470	1,224	1,346	1,725	2,243
Financial Leasing Income	66	92	99	95	117
Others	811	385	404	424	446
COGS	(10,043)	(9,775)	(9,450)	(11,282)	(13,743)
Gross profit	1,660	1,543	1,664	2,011	2,576
SG&A	(1,077)	(1,093)	(1,167)	(1,220)	(1,444)
Other income and gains	16	35	(94)	(78)	(76)
Pre-tax profit	599	485	402	713	1,056
Income tax	(85)	(71)	(60)	(107)	(158)
Net profit	514	414	342	606	898
Profit attributable to:					
Minority interests	74	65	36	69	99
Equity shareholders of the Company	440	349	306	537	799
EPS (RMB)	0.520	0.351	0.307	0.539	0.802
DPS (RMB)	0.000	0.100	0.092	0.162	0.241
EBIT	662	569	514	810	1,154
EBITDA	802	760	727	1,027	1,407

Source(s): Company, ABCI Securities estimates

Consolidated balance sheet (2011A-2015E)

As of Dec 31 (RMB mn)	2011A	2012A	2013E	2014E	2015E
Current assets	6,533	7,648	8,163	8,967	10,718
Cash and equivalent	1,541	1,969	2,252	2,486	2,842
Trade and bill receivables	2,446	2,335	2,841	2,986	3,274
Financial leasing receivables	632	748	816	676	1,172
Inventories	1,195	1,470	1,015	1,457	1,931
Other current assets	719	1,126	1,239	1,362	1,499
Non-current assets	3,240	3,690	4,128	4,501	4,578
Property, plant and equipment	2,168	2,559	2,932	3,243	3,219
Intangible assets	773	822	865	907	948
Long-term investments	199	167	184	202	222
Other non-current assets	100	142	147	149	189
Total assets	9,773	11,338	12,290	13,468	15,296
Current liabilities	5,465	5,556	5,182	5,643	6,536
Trade and bill payables	2,345	2,703	2,216	2,420	2,851
Receipts in advance	1,058	1,047	1,176	1,483	1,781
Short term borrowings	969	451	300	100	100
Other current liabilities	1,093	1,355	1,491	1,640	1,804
Non-current liabilities	356	826	2,047	2,070	2,095
Long-term borrowings	186	618	1,818	1,818	1,818
Other non-current liabilities	170	208	229	252	277
Total liabilities	5,821	6,382	7,229	7,712	8,631
Minority interests	538	525	578	635	699
Shareholders' equities	3,414	4,431	4,483	5,120	5,967
BVPS (RMB)	4.035	4.453	4.501	5.141	5.991

Source(s): Company, ABCI Securities estimates

Consolidated cash flow statement (2011A-2015E)

FY ended Dec 31 (RMB mn)	2011A	2012A	2013E	2014E	2015E
Profit before tax	599	485	402	713	1,056
Changes in depreciation and amortization	140	191	214	217	253
Changes in working capital	67	(13)	(141)	(485)	(296)
Financial cost	55	63	111	97	97
Income tax paid	(83)	(99)	(63)	(110)	(162)
Others	(59)	(72)	· · ·	- -	-
CF Operating	719	555	523	432	949
Increase in PP&E	(362)	(405)	(560)	(500)	(200)
Increase in intangible assets	(565)	(49)	(43)	(42)	(41)
Others	`117	(293)	` -	· -	` -
CF Investing	(810)	(747)	(603)	(542)	(241)
Capital injection	7	866	-	-	-
Net debt financing	386	(86)	1,049	(200)	-
Dividend payout	(106)	(76)	(100)	(92)	(161)
Interest paid	(54)	(83)	(111)	(97)	(97)
Others	31	(13)	(476)	733	(94)
CF Financing	264	608	363	344	(352)
Net change in cash	173	416	283	234	356
Cash at the beginning	1,393	1,541	1,969	2,252	2,486
Adjustment (Time deposit & FX effect)	(25)	12	-	-	-
Cash at the end	1,541	1,969	2,252	2,486	2,842

Source(s): Company, ABCI Securities estimates

Consolidated cash flow statement (2011A-2015E)

FY ended Dec 31	2011A	2012A	2013E	2014E	2015E
Sales mixed (%)					
Agricultural Machinery	79.95	84.97	83.35	83.12	82.81
Power Machinery	12.56	10.81	12.11	12.98	13.74
Financial Leasing Income	0.56	0.81	0.89	0.71	0.72
Others	6.93	3.40	3.64	3.19	2.73
Profit & loss ratios (%)					
Gross margin	14.18	13.63	14.97	15.13	15.79
Net profit margin	3.76	3.08	2.75	4.04	4.90
Effective tax rate	14.19	14.64	15.00	15.00	15.00
Growth (%)					
Revenue	14.00	(3.29)	(1.80)	19.61	22.77
Gross profit	9.43	(7.05)	7.84	20.88	28.09
EBIT	(1.78)	(14.05)	(9.75)	57.78	42.37
EBITDA	(4.41)	(5.24)	(4.28)	41.19	36.96
Net profit	(18.97)	(20.68)	(12.37)	75.59	48.76
Balance sheet ratios					
Current ratio (x)	1.20	1.38	1.58	1.59	1.64
Quick ratio (x)	0.98	1.11	1.38	1.33	1.34
Cash ratio (x)	0.28	0.35	0.43	0.44	0.43
Trade and bill receivables days	63.02	77.09	85.00	80.00	70.00
Trade and bill payables turnover days	81.61	94.25	95.00	75.00	70.00
Inventory turnover days	47.65	49.76	48.00	40.00	45.00
Total debt / equity ratio (%)	29.23	21.57	41.85	33.32	28.78
Net debt / equity ratio (%)	Net Cash				
Returns (%)					
ROAE	13.25	8.90	6.86	11.18	14.41
ROAA	5.52	3.92	2.90	4.71	6.24
Payout ratio	-	28.54	30.00	30.00	30.00

Source(s): Company, ABCI Securities estimates



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Rating	Definition
Buy	Stock return ≥ Market return rate
Hold	Market return – 6% ≤ Stock return < Market return rate
Sell	Stock return < Market return – 6%

Stock return is defined as the expected % change of share price plus gross dividend yield over the next 12 months

Market return: 5-year average market return rate from 2007-2011

Time horizon of share price target: 12-month

Definition of share price risk

Rating	Definition
Very high	2.6 ≤180 day volatility/180 day benchmark index volatility
High	1.5 ≤ 180 day volatility/180 day benchmark index volatility < 2.6
Medium	1.0 ≤180 day volatility/180 day benchmark index volatility < 1.5
Low	180 day volatility/180 day benchmark index volatility < 1.0

We measure share price risk by its volatility relative to volatility of benchmark index. Benchmark index: Hang Seng Index.

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