

## CMBI Credit Commentary

### First take from Corporate Day: Zhenro - Front end bonds are good carry play

#### We like ZHPRHKs front-end bonds (22s – 23s at 5%-7%)

ZHPRHK curve moved 1-4pts lower in the past 2 months due to weak market sentiment with the front-end bonds being more resilient. With the continued stable fundamental performance in 1H21 and prudent debt management, we think Zhenro's front-end bonds (22s – 23s at 5% - 7%) offers good carry as defensive play amid volatile market for its prudent financial management and transparent financial statement.

#### On track 1H21 operational result

Zhenro reported RMB82.3bn pre-sales in 1H21 (+47% yoy) and completed 54% of its annual target (RMB150bn). The company also made progress in improving the attributable ratio of pre-sales to 56%-57% in 1H21 from 55% in 2020 and targets to improve to 60% for full year 2021. Nonetheless, Zhenro's cash collection ratio slid to 70%-75% in 1H21 from 80% in 2020 due to tighter bank quota in Jun'21. On land acquisition front, Zhenro spent attributable land costs of RMB17.6bn (~50% of cash collection) for 22 land parcels with GFA of 2.17sqm mm. We note that the average land cost (~RMB15k per sqm) for these land acquisitions are higher than that of last year (~RMB6.6k per sqm). This is due to 96% of the new investment are located in tier 1 & 2 cities (i.e. 2 parcels in Hangzhou, 4 parcels in Guangzhou, and 3 parcels in Xiamen,). Company explained the ASP for the new projects is estimated at RMB30k per sqm (2x of the avg. land cost).

#### Zhenro guides a stable interim results and targets to meet “3-red-line” no later than 1H2022

As per Zhenro, the company expects to recognize revenue growth of +7-10% yoy (indicating ~RMB15.5bn to RMB16bn in revenue), similar GPM level as 2020 (~19%), cash / ST debts of 2.0x, total debts growth of 5%-8% (guidance), and net gearing ratio of 60%. In 2020, Zhenro reported net gearing, adj. lia-to-asset and cash/ST debts ratios of 65%, 76% and 2.2x. The company has made progress in lowering its adj. lia-to-asset ratio to 70% by end-2021 and lower than 70% by 1H22.

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## 2021 maturities covered by new prints

For the rest of 2021, we estimate total repayment need of Zhenro is ~USD610mm (incl. onshore & offshore). Maturities include USD430mm offshore bonds, RMB1.1bn onshore bonds and USD38mm syndicated loan amortization in 2H21. We are comfortable with Zhenro's refinancing prospects given its repayment needs have been covered by new prints in 2021 (i.e. printed USD1.41bn and CNH1.3bn offshore bonds while repaid USD550mm and CNH1bn in 2021YTD).

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