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Overview and Key Business Highlights of 2024

Charting the Growth Path for 2025 and beyond

Financial Review of 4Q and FY 2024



- Overview and Key Business Highlights 2024
- 2. Charting the Growth Path for 2025 and beyond

By Khun Yol Phokasub, CEO

# Moderate growth with rising uncertainties: Divergent monetary policies amid U.S. tariffs threats

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(Jo	GDP <sup>1)</sup> 2025F (Jan'25)	
5	3.2%¹) ≈	3.3%
	2.8% ≈	2.7%
****	0.7% (-0.1 pt)	1.0%
*;	5.0% (+0.2 pt)	4.6%
	2.5% (-0.2 pt)	2.9%
*	7.1% (+0.6 pt)	6.8%
	0.5% (-0.2 pt)	0.7%

#### Global economy outlook with downside risks post U.S Election, November 2024



Heightened fears of a global trade war, increasing economic uncertainty from U.S. import tariffs



Central banks are taking varied approaches with interest rates.



2024

China's challenges from property market crises and stringent social policies continue.



Dollar remains strong, weaker commodities price impacting emerging market economies.

#### **Thailand**

- Growth is expected to remain steady in the face of slower private investment and tightened financial conditions.
- Export challenges from potential higher U.S. tariffs.
- Tourism recovery continues, foreign arrivals +26% and tourist receipts +13%



#### Vietnam

- Industrial production, import - export and tourism fueling GDP growth
- Tourism & service sectors continue to lead growth, foreign arrivals +40% vs LY



#### Italv

- Economy stagnates with no growth carryover, an uphill climb for 2025
- Outlook clouded by geopolitical tensions and trade tariffs.

## 2024 another record year under lasting macro uncertainties CENTRALRETAIL

Delivered the mandate:
Revenue growth >2x GDP and faster profit growth than top line

Revenue
THB 262.8 Bn
+6% YoY

Core EBITDA
THB 35.1 Bn
+8% YoY

13.4% Margin (+0.2%)

Core NPAT
THB 8.9 Bn
+9% YoY
3.4% Margin (+0.1%)

Omnichannel Sales
20% share
+10% YoY

Well-controlled SG&A Expenses 27.4% to revenue

Well-balanced
Financial Position
D/E 1.1x
D/EBITDA 2.3x

# Thailand =

Revenue growth outpaced GDP by 3x with existing and new business accelerated

<u>Vietnam</u>



Mall & Food revenue outpaced GDP growth with expansion resumed

<u>Italy</u>



Solid profit growth, upgrading to Media Company from House of Brands

# We made the right move to drive the business even further in all countries we operate

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Thailand: Revenue growth outpaced GDP by 3x with existing and new business accelerated

- Raised the bar of Omni Retail Lifestyle Destination, The Store of Bangkok showed double-digit EBIT uplift post opening. 16% tourists' sales growth.
- Strengthened Brands platform with upcoming brands added & acquisition of Rev Edition, leading multibrand running specialist.
- Turbo charged Thaiwatsadu, outperformed peers with margin hikes, +7% sales and +23% EBITDA growth.
- Dominated Food Retail Premium segment, delivering all time high EBIT.
- Scaled Go Wholesale, setting footprints with 10 stores across all regions.
- Transformed Lifestyle Mall to a winning destination model for upcountry with huge profitability upside.



Vietnam: Mall & Food revenue outpaced GDP growth with expansion resumed

- Resumed expansion +3 GO! Malls/Hypers & +5 go!, new provinces unlocked. Continued renovations for future revenue uplift.
- Fueled by profitability, GO! Hypermarkets' model delivers a superior EBITDA margin vs. peers.
- Embarked in new Lifestyle segment, tapping affluent tier, to seize country's high-growth opportunities.
- Italy: Solid profit growth delivered, upgrading to Media Company from House of Brands
  - Topped last year's all time high sales and delivered double-digit EBITDA growth despite temporary slowdown of luxury goods market
  - Completed Milan flagship renovation and geared up expansion biggest Beauty Hall

## And we continued to elevate sustainable future

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We commit to integrating business operations with sustainable development with an aim for Net-Zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050

#### 2024 Impacts



**Supported** community

100,000+ households



Created job opportunities

742 people with disabilities



ESG Training

5,000+ employees



Solar rooftops installed

162 locations



EV station installed

795 stations



## Awards and recognition as an industry leader

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#### Corporate & People & Business Excellence













Top 2 Rank in Retail Sector Fortune Southeast Asia 500 Best CEO, Best CFO, Best IR, Best Corporate Communications Asian Excellence Awards 2024 Corporate Excellence Award Asia Pacific Enterprise Awards 2024 Top 1 Prestigious Retail Company by Vietnam Report (4th consecutive year) Best Company to Work for in HR Asia Awards 2024

Outstanding IR Award SET Awards 2024

#### Sustainability Excellence











DJSI World and Emerging Markets
Member
(4th consecutive year)

CSA Score in Top 10% in World Retailing Industry (4th consecutive year) ESG RATINGS: AA
Stock Exchange of Thailand
(4th consecutive year)

Thai Private Sector Collective Action Against Corruption

The Sustainalytics' ESG risk rating by Morningstar Sustainalytics



# Charting the growth path for 2025 and beyond

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We will drive resilience and sustained leadership through pocket of good growth and position to ride the tailwinds

**Revenue Acceleration** 

**Margin Enhancement** 

Step up growth for core businesses offline and online

Scale
new growth engine
& new formats

Reignite Vietnam for faster growth & better margin

Expand & rejuvenate footprint & offerings wisely

Create value with M&A and partnership

Drive productivity with Tech & Human-Al

Laser control 3C: Cost-Capex-Cash

Strategically & Efficiently manage funding

Customers at the Core | Sustainability Embedment across Operations

# FY 2025: Step up growth for core and scale new business

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#### Target No. of Stores/ Malls end of 2025







































**2025 Network Expansion Target** 

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+4

+10

+4

+2 Malls/ +2 Hypers

+3



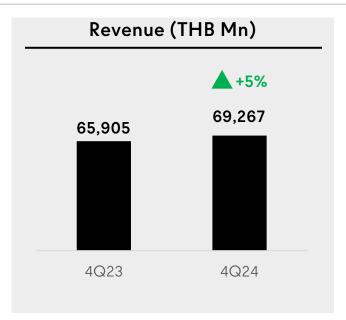
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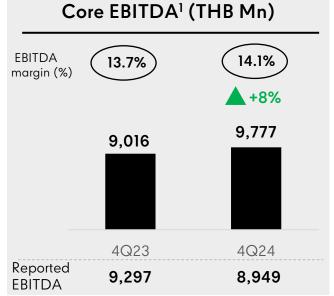
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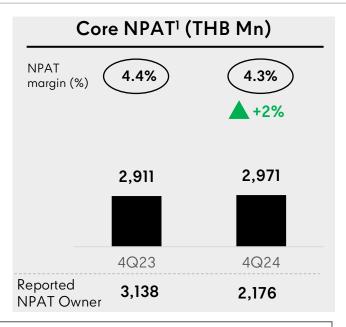


# Consolidated key financials 4Q 2024

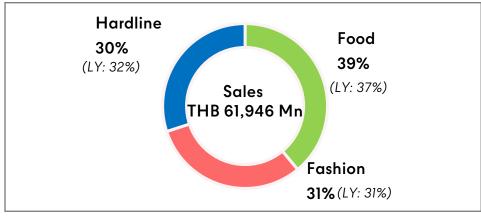


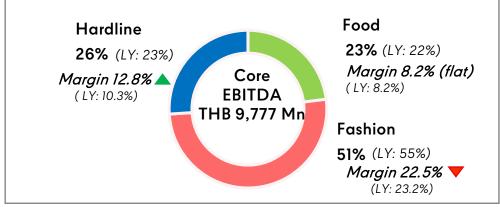










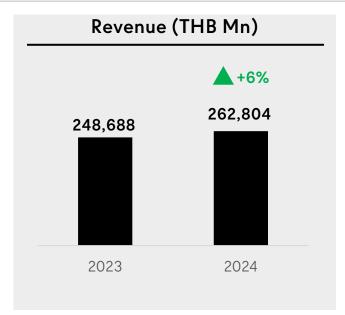


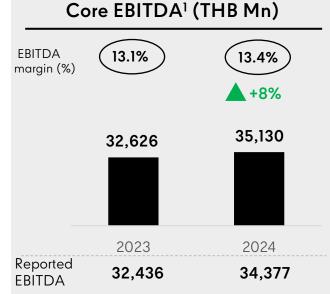
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- 2) NPAT in 4Q 2023 and 4Q 2024 = THB 3,266 Mn and THB 2,292 Mn respectively; Core NPAT in 4Q 2023 and 4Q 2024 = THB 3,041 Mn and THB 3,086 Mn respectively
- 3) EBITDA margin % to Revenue

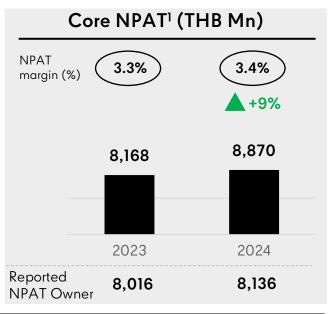


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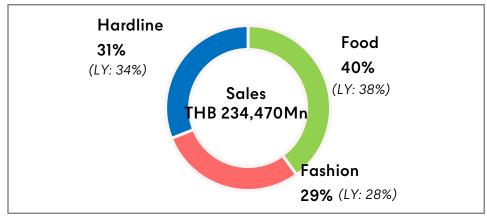


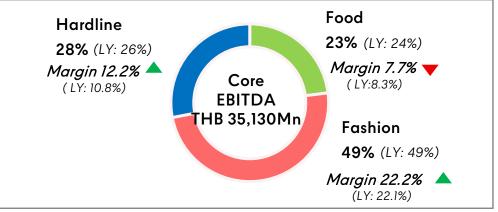






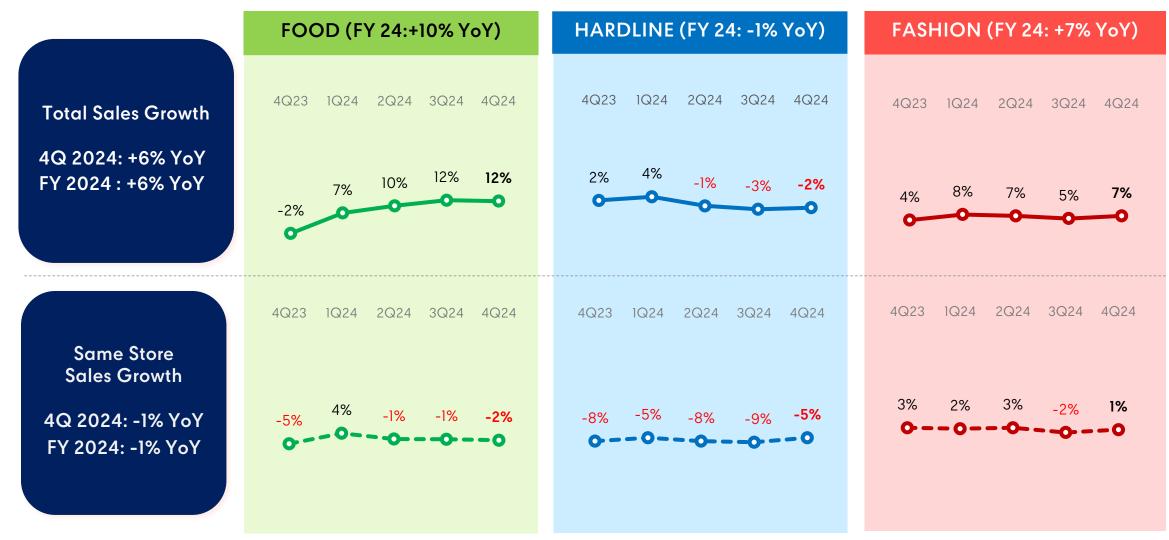






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- 2) NPAT in FY 2023 and FY 2024 = THB 8,523 Mn and THB 8,637 Mn respectively; Core NPAT in FY 2023 and FY 2024 = THB 8,674 Mn and THB 9,370 Mn respectively
- 3) EBITDA margin % to Revenue

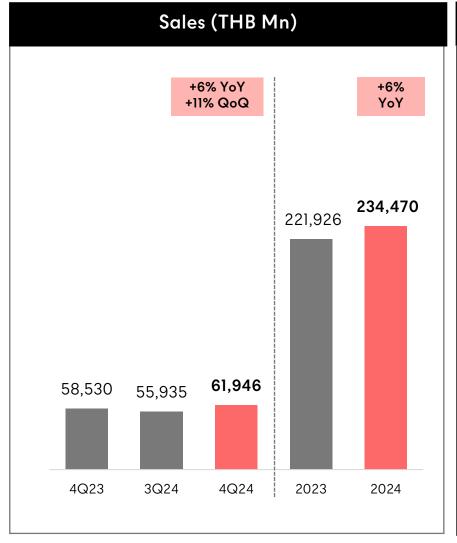
# Sales trend by business segment 4Q and FY 2024

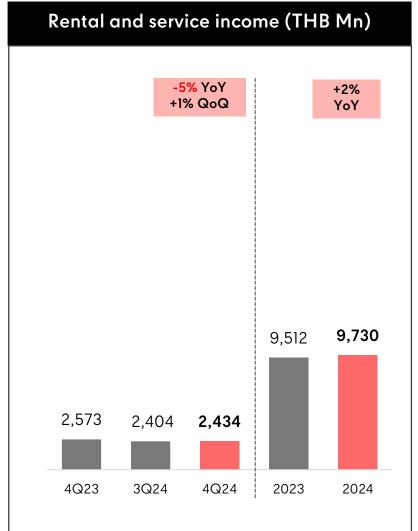


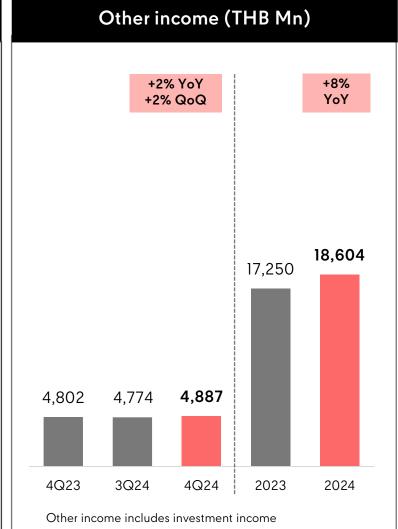


Revenue

FY 2024: Sales +6%, Rent & service income +2%, Other income +8% vs. LY



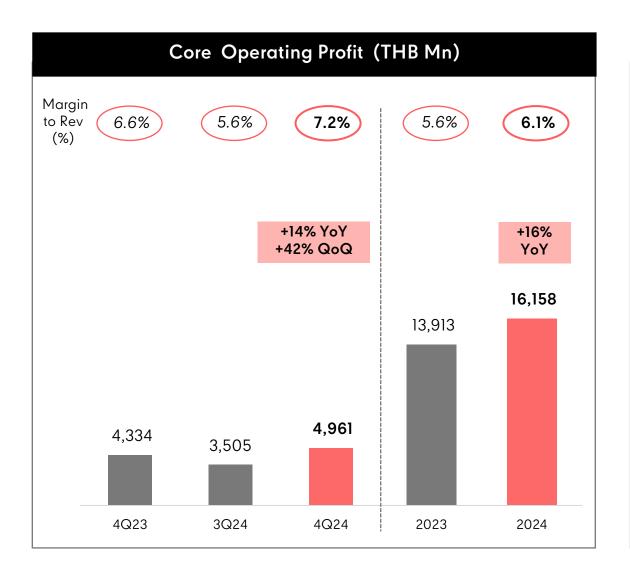


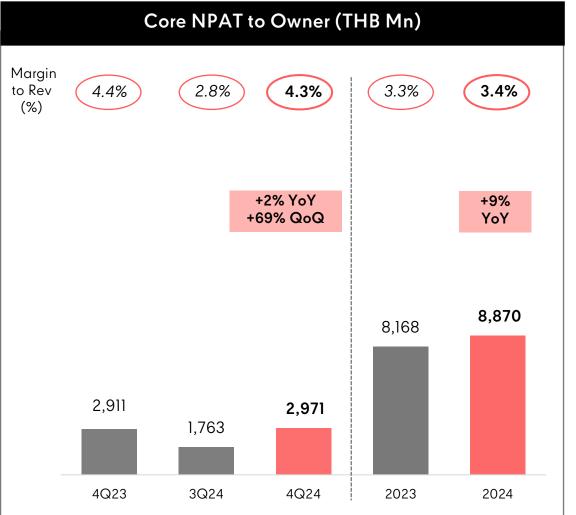




# Core Operating profit and Core NPAT

FY 2024: Core operating profit +16% and Core NPAT +9% vs. LY

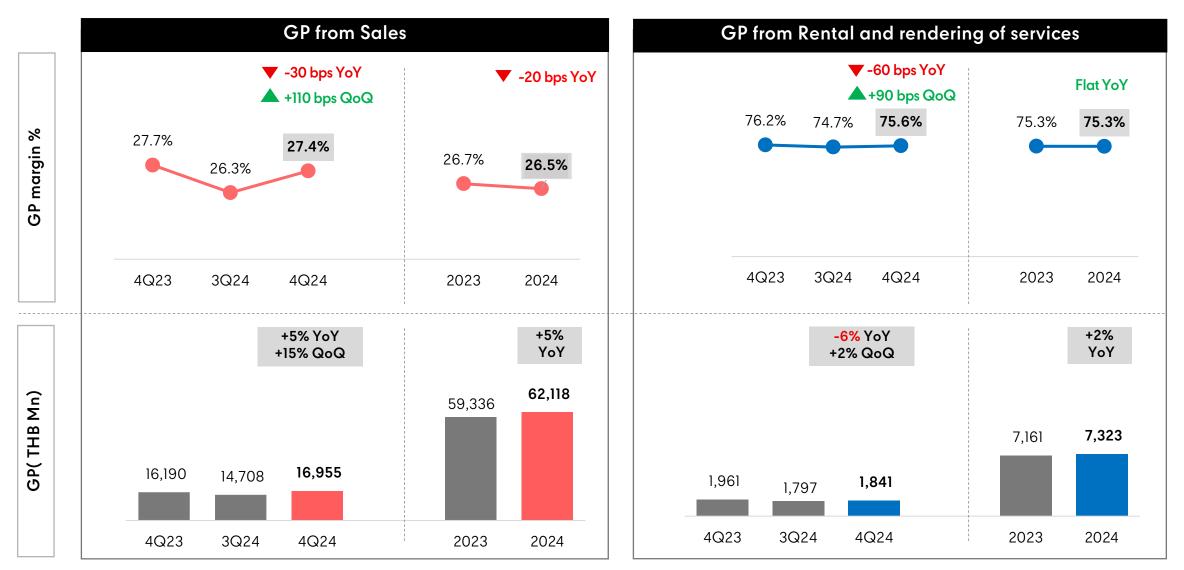






### **Gross Profit**

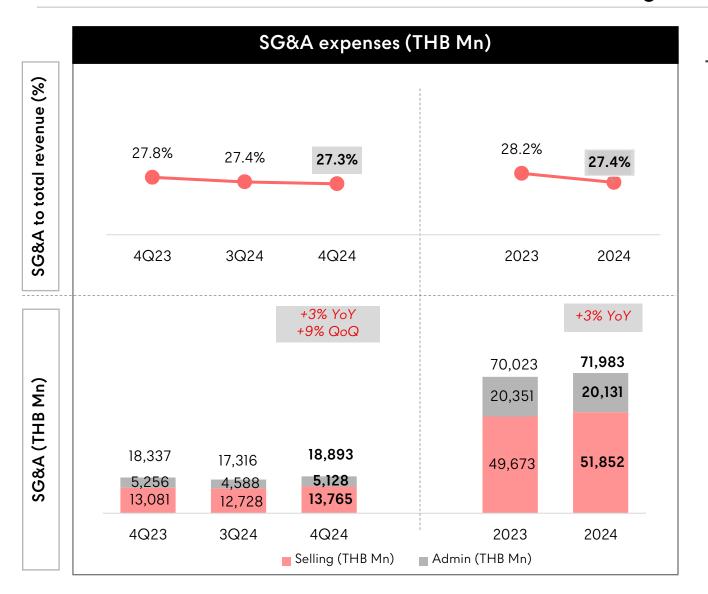
### FY 2024: GP sales margin -0.2% and GP rent & service margin stable vs. LY





# SG&A expenses

## FY2024: +3% vs. LY; SG&A % to Revenue managed well at 27.4% below last year



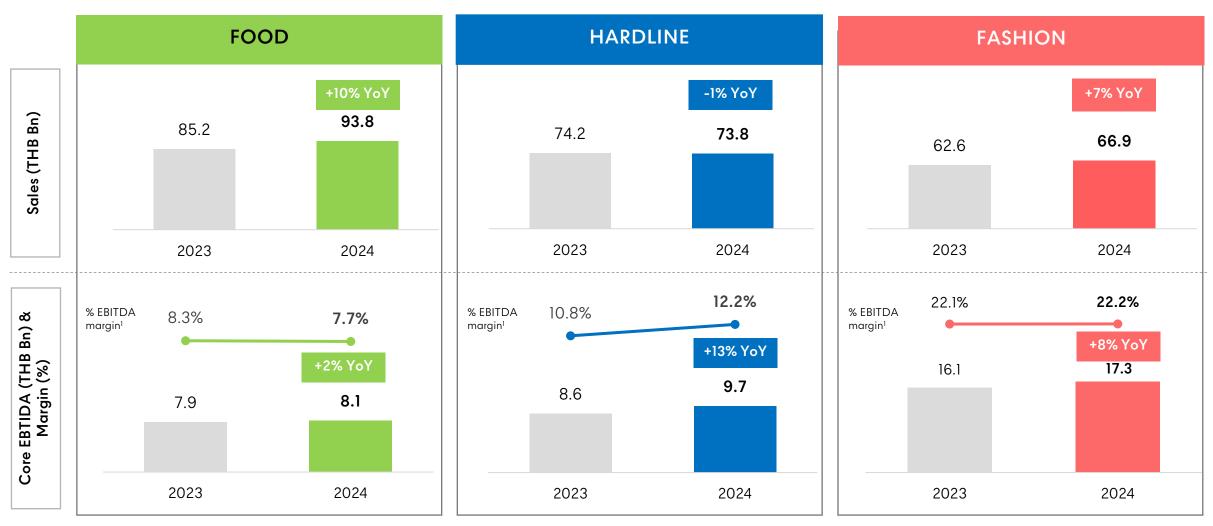
#### **SG&A Mix and YoY Change**

SG&A items	4Q 2024		FY 2024	
3GαA items	%Mix	% Chg	%Mix	% Chg
(1) Personnel	34%	-2%	36%	3%
(2) Depreciation & Rent	26%	4%	27%	3%
(3) Utilities	7%	11%	7%	-4%
(4) Marketing & Promotion	8%	10%	6%	4%
(5) Others	25%	5%	24%	5%



# Segment key financials

## FY 2024: EBITDA grew in all segments with margin uplift in Hardline and Fashion

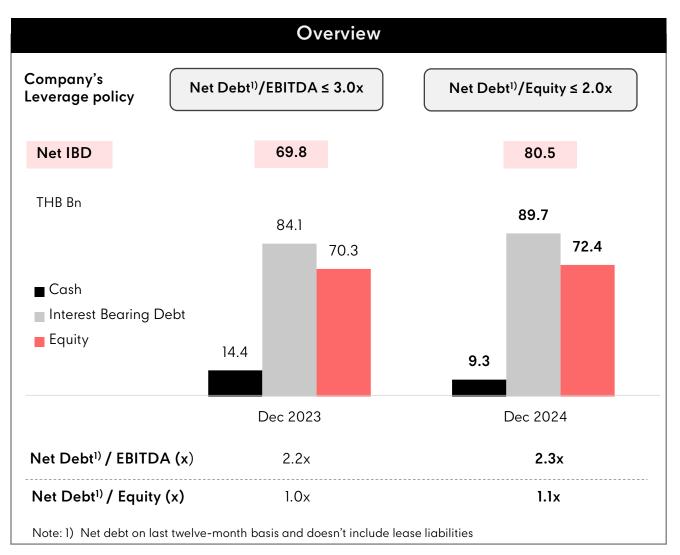


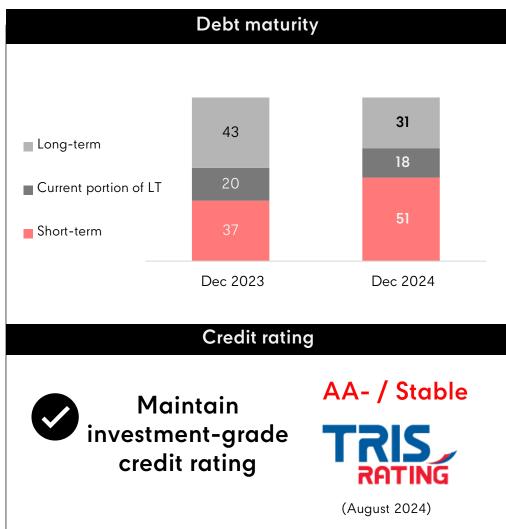
Note: Core EBITDA margin adjusted out non-operating items e.g., gain/loss on foreign exchange, gain/loss from disposal of assets & investments and gain/loss on derivatives



## **Capital Structure**

## FY 2024: Financial health remains strong with well-managed liquidity and gearing ratio uphold





# CRC is resilient today CRC poises for long-term success

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- 1. Double down on resilience
- 2. Lead with momentum
- 3. Expand horizons
- 4. Diversify strategies
- 5. Maintain financial strength
- 6. Empower for the future
- 7. Advance sustainability

- Strengthening amid ongoing challenges
- Fostering robust growth trajectory
- Propelling forward with new growth engines
- Leveraging partnerships and M&A opportunities
- Upholding strong balance sheet, cash focused & cost disciplined
- Equipping workforce for a Human-Al collaboration era
- Embedding Net Zero across operations





# **Business Updates**

- Thailand
- Vietnam
- Italy



# Raising the Bar in Fashion and Lifestyle brands platform with store upgrade and offerings rejuvenation

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**High seasons for Tourists** 4Q Tourist Sales +20% vs LY



The rebranding of Central Bangrak +30% Sales vs LY



to portfolio



The Store of Bangkok attracted +20% traffic



CMG added 'Hey Dude' to portfolio

# #1 DIY Home Retailer: Growing sales, expanding stores, and leading operational efficiency

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4Q | FY 2024 Highlights

Solidifying
#1 DIY Home Retailer position

Excellent Sales growth +7% vs. FY23

Strong EBITDA growth +23% vs. FY23

Solid EBITDA margin expansion +180 bps vs FY23

FY24 Healthy Private Label mix: 19%

# Establishing Excellence: Tops dominates premium segment while GO Wholesale gains momentum

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Tops delivered all time high EBIT Continued Opex optimization bearing fruit

Premium segment

Tops Food Hall sales soared +8% in 4Q24 & FY24

**Private Label** 

14% Private Label sales mix **FY24** 

Total 2024 Network

175 Tops stores 519 Tops daily stores

FY2025 target to open 10 Tops mid-large stores +5 stores in 4Q24 | +9 stores in FY24



 Chiangmai Chonburi

Phuket

Good ramp up of B2B sales mix 53% 4Q24 | 55% FY24

5% Online sales mix FY24

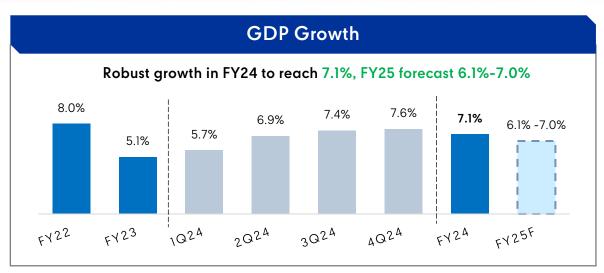
7% Own and Exclusive Brands sales mix FY24

FY2025 target to open 4 stores

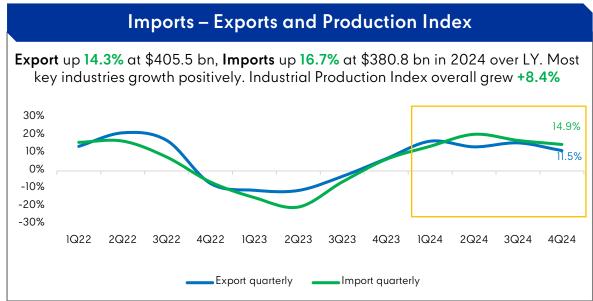


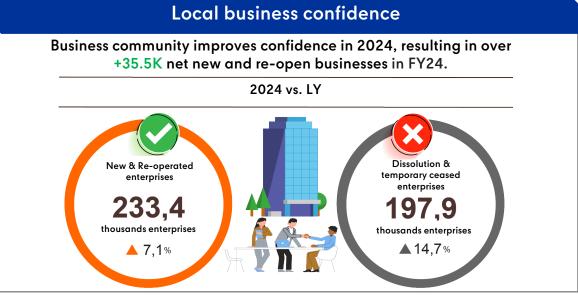
# Vietnam economy: Industrial production, Import & Export and Tourism activities grew positively, fueling GDP growth

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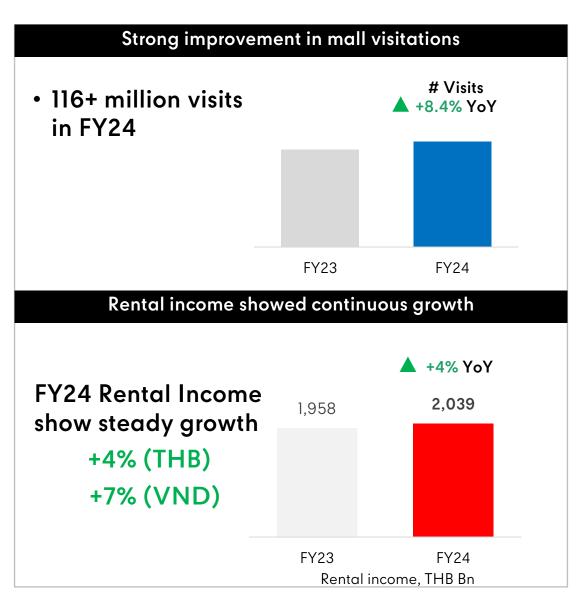
# 2024 - a year to enjoy the fruit of our labour "GO! Mall 2.0" post renovation and rebranding

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# We continued to develop our malls, uplifting GO! to become the best family mall in the market

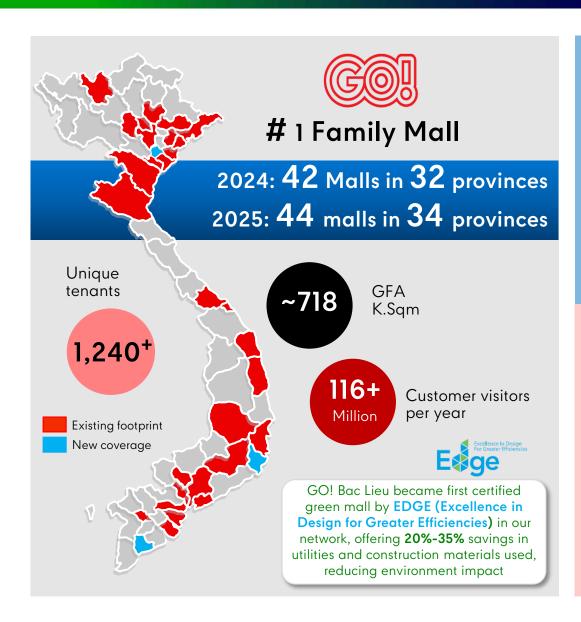
- 14 malls had been renovated and rebranded into GO! during 2022-2024. Construction started on Thang Long and Dong Nai, our biggest and flagship malls
- We re-balanced our tenant mix and quality, adding F&B, entertainment, health and other specialty services compared to previous model to truly become a family destination





# We continued to expand GO! malls to new regions with right-sized model, bringing competition in new provinces

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# We keep re-inventing GO! Hypermarket model to better service our customers

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#### Continue to bring newness to our customers







#### Strong start of 2025 with 45-days Tet-to-Tet sales +10%



## GO! Hyper



#1 Hypermarket in Vietnam

FY24 traffic reached 50 Mn, +2.5% vs LY

#### **Omnichannel**

#1 in brick-and-mortar

12% mix of Omnisales

Our Omnichannel continued to be profitable and growing

# Food expansion continued, particularly with mini go! exceling in rural areas where we opened

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#### Successfully opened 5 mini go! in 2024 Target 3 more mini go! in 2025











#### Proven success model

Both Total Sales & SSSG grew double digit growth



#### We vouch to bring a one-stop-shop modern shopping experience to our customers in rural Vietnam

- Position as the best value for money for grocery while offering modern F&B and entertainment services
- Large daily essentials in FMCG and dried food, complemented by our unique Softline and SDA selection
- Differentiation by our affordable imported and cross-regional Fresh products

# Lifestyle & Sports posted strong double-digit sales growth capturing affluent tiers

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Total 7 stores by end 2024







Total 3 stores by end 2024



Total 9 stores by end 2024





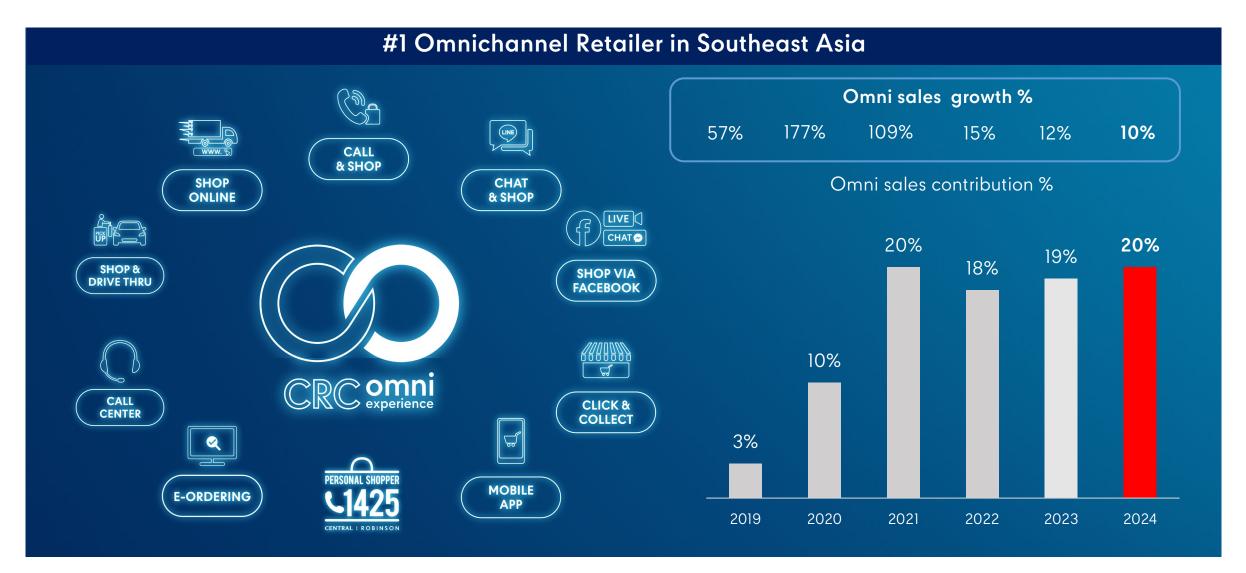
Total 66 stores by end 2024



Total 16 stores by end of 2024

# Omnichannel sales and Online profitability continued to expand, commanding 20% share

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# Rinascente's strong retail media and commercial activities with brands

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## **Odeon Highlights**

• 3,000 sqm TOTAL AREA

MAKEUP, FRAGRANCE, SKINCARE, BEAUTY BAR

**ADVANCED BEAUTY SERVICES** 

**TREATMENT ROOMS** 

**EXHIBITION AREA** 

- 700 sqm FOOD AREA
- **300+** Brands
- 3 Million First year visitors
- May 2027 Opening





# Customer-centric Omni Retail & Wholesale Platform with Leadership across growth markets

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Omni platform



















Customer







30 Million customer base from 3 Loyalty Programs worldwide

#### Operating properties



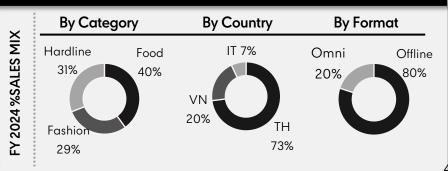
- 3,852 sales locations
- NSA **3,735** K Sq.m. (+5%)



- **75** malls
- NLA **762** K Sq.m. (+3%)

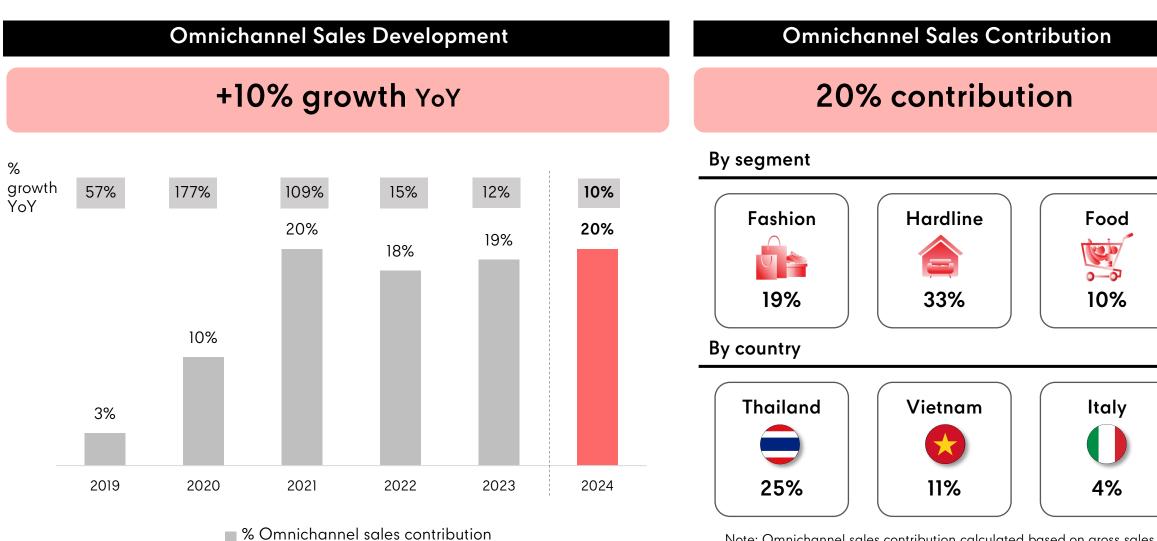
NSA = Net sales area NLA = Net leasable area

		Key Financials	(4Q	& FY 2024)
MB, YoY	4Q24	2024		By Catego
Revenue	<b>69,267</b> (+5%)	262,804 (+6%)	ES MIX	Hardline
Core EBITDA	<b>9,777</b> (+8%) 14.1% margin	<b>35,130</b> (+8%) 13.4% margin	2024 %SALES	SIZ
Core NPAT	<b>2,971</b> (+2%) 4.3% margin	<b>8,870</b> (+9%) 3.4% margin	FY 202	Fashion 29%
Note: % margin	n to revenue		:	:



# FY 2024: Omnichannel Development steady

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Note: Omnichannel sales contribution calculated based on gross sales

## FY 2024: Network expansion of key business units on track CENTRALRETAIL

#### No. of Stores/ Malls end of 2024







































**2024 Network Expansion** 

+2

+7

+9

+6

+3 Malls/ +3 Hypers

+5

## Food

Tops Food Hall

Tops

Tops daily





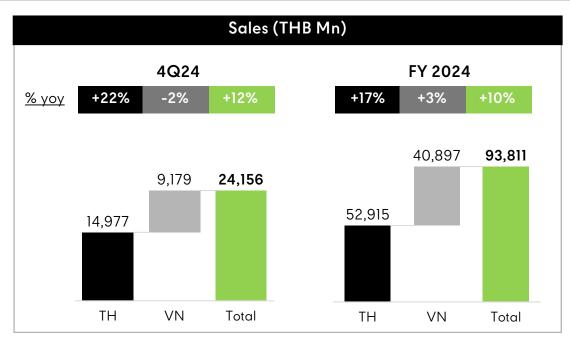


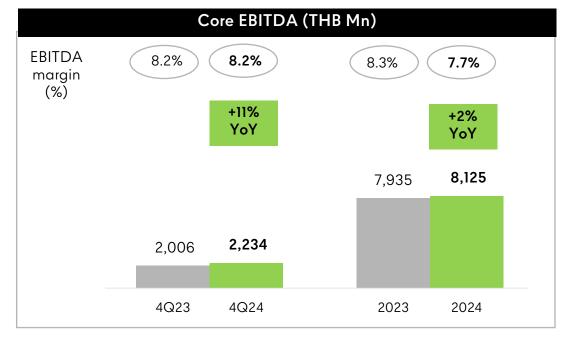












#### SSSG (% YoY) FY 2023 FY2024 **FOOD** Flat Flat +1% ΤH +4% VN (THB) -1% -5%

#### **Operational Stats**

	# Stores	FY2023	FY2024
тн	Tops <sup>1)</sup>	168	175
	Tops daily & FamilyMart	515	519
	GO Wholesale	4	10
	H&W <sup>2)</sup>	122	200
VN	GO! hypermarket	38	41
	Tops market, go!, Lanchi	42	47
Total		889	992

1) Incl all Tops formats except Tops daily, 2) Incl Tops Vita, Tops Care, Pet'n Me

## Hardline





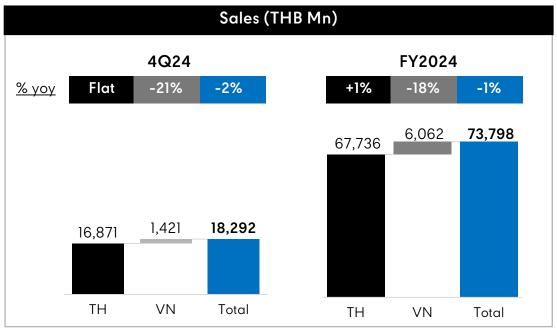


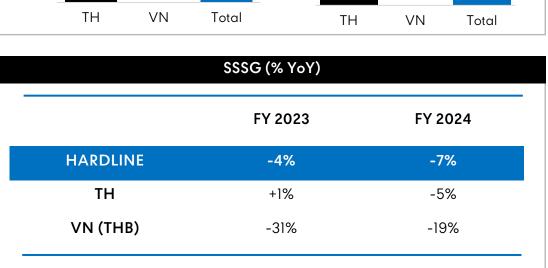


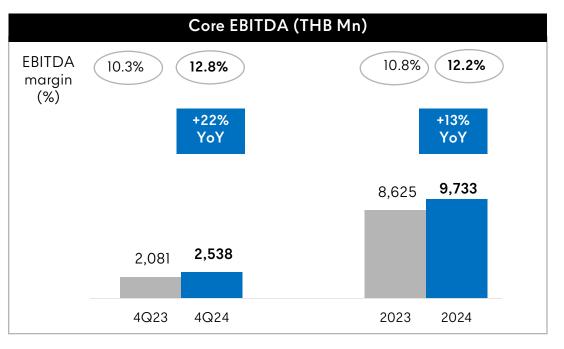












#### **Operational Stats**

	# Stores	FY2023	FY2024
тн	TWD & BnB Home	81	86
	PWB	118	109
	B2S & OFM	219	201
VN	Nguyen Kim	53	47
Total		471	443

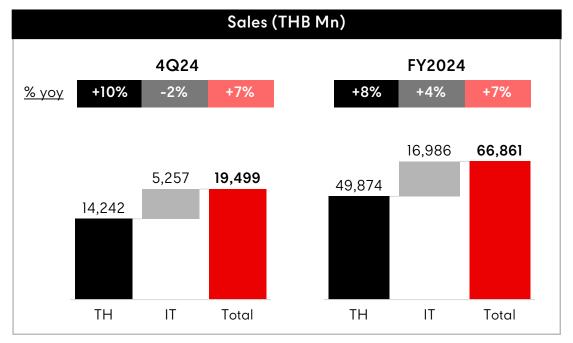
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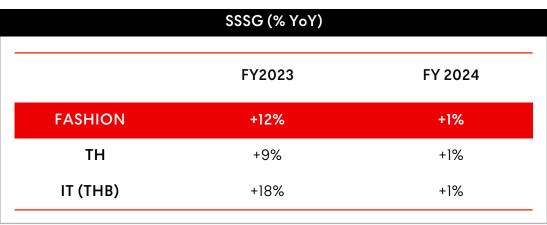
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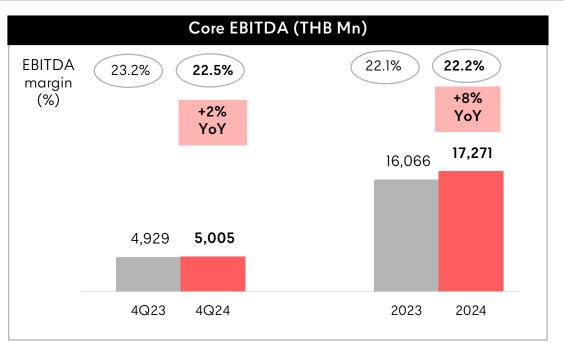




### **RINASCENTE**







#### **Operational Stats**

	# Stores	FY2023	FY2024
тн	Central & Robinson department store	76	76
	Specialty stores & Brand Shops <sup>1)</sup>	452	512
IT	Rinascente dept store	9	9
	Total	537	597

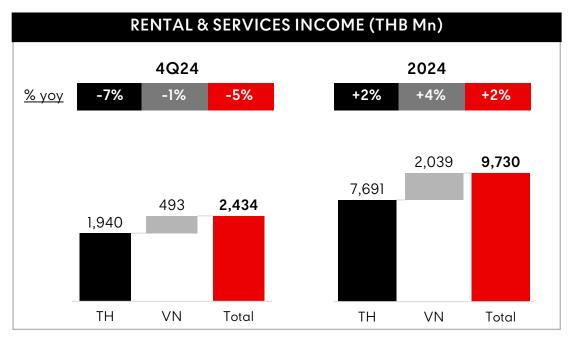
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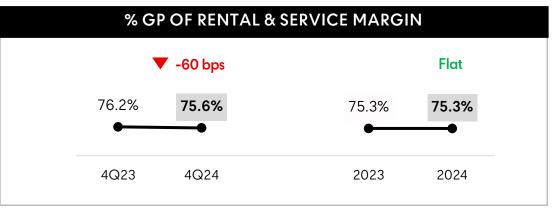
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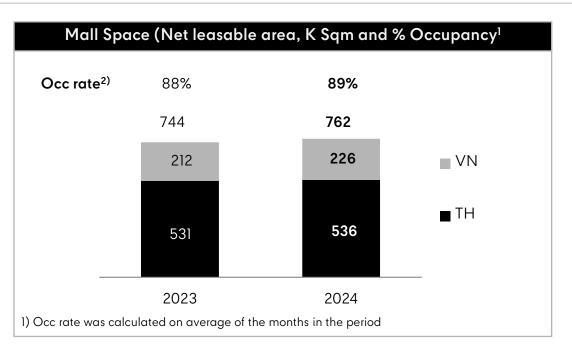










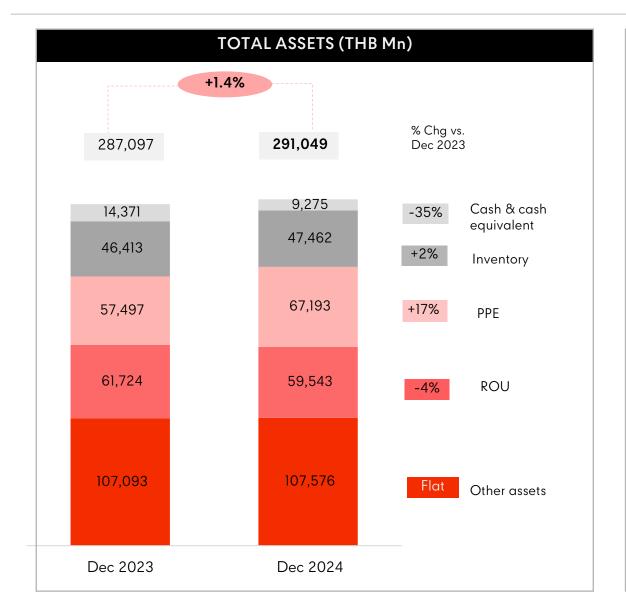


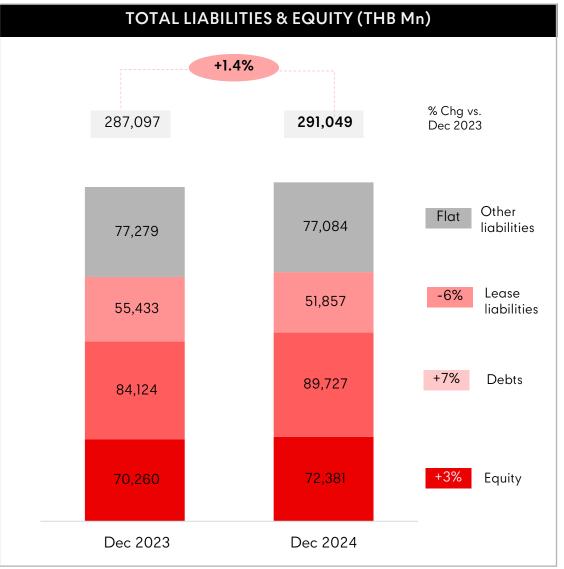
#### **Operational Stats**

	# Malls	FT2023	FY 2024
TH	Robinson Lifestyle & Tops Plaza	33	33
VN	GO! Mall	39	42
	Total	72	75



### **Balance Sheet**



























































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