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4th QUARTER 2017 PERFORMANCE

13th February 2018





Business Review

2017 Financial Results



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2017 Business Highlights

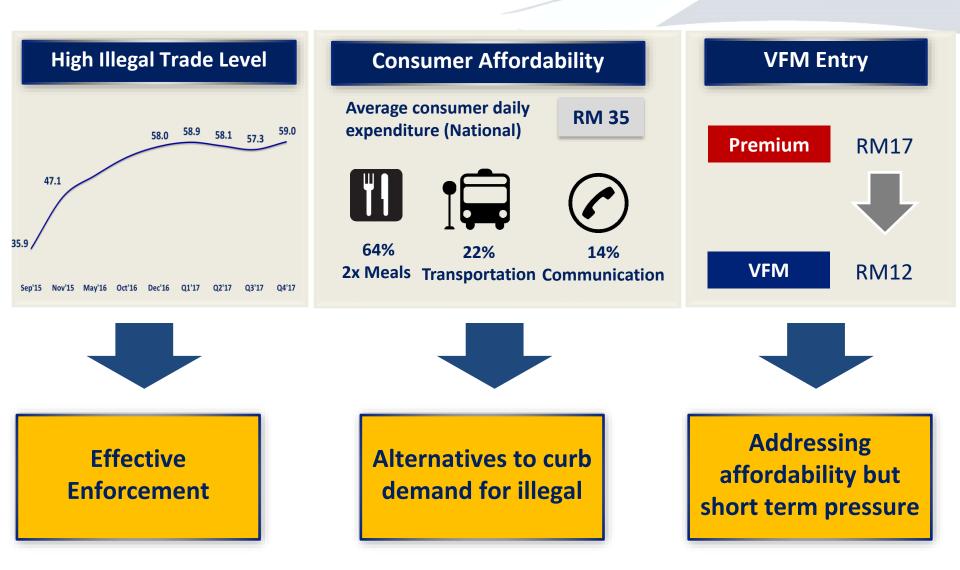


BAT share growth Dec'17: 54.6% +1.4 ppt vs 2016 (FY: 53.9% -3.2ppt vs 2016)	Dunhill share growth Leadership in Aspirational Premium Rothmans strong in VFM segment	New supply chain model fully operational improving gross profit margin
Illegal cigarette incidence all time high FY: 58.3% +5.8 ppt vs 2016 (Q4: 59.0%)	Decline in legal market volume (exit'16 to exit'17 volume stable) -8.8% vs 2016	2017 Financial impacted by illegal trade Revenue: -20.1% vs 2016 Profit from operations excl. restructuring: -24.4% vs 2016

2017 performance continued to be challenged by illegal cigarettes

Recap: Key areas influencing business performance

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Market review update



Legal market stabilised in 2017 with concern in Q4



2017 vs. 2016:

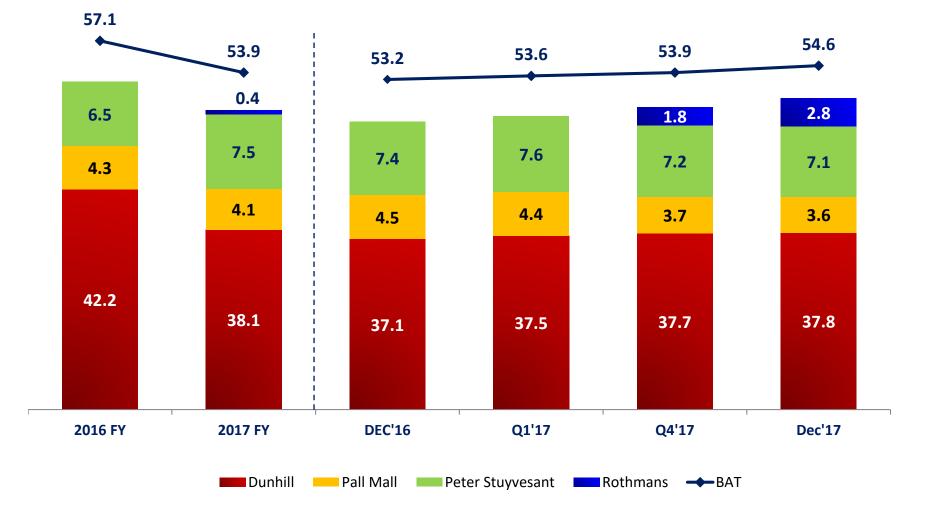
To-Date Avg. (Jan-Sep)	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017 vs SPLY	Q4	Q3	Q4 vs Q3
Industry	668	610	-8.8%	605	624	-3.0%
BAT	389	332	-14.5%	331	336	-1.5%

Source: Industry Exchange In-Market Sales (Sales to retail outlets)

BAT gaining share exit 2017 vs exit 2016



<u>Share of Market – Malaysia (%)</u>

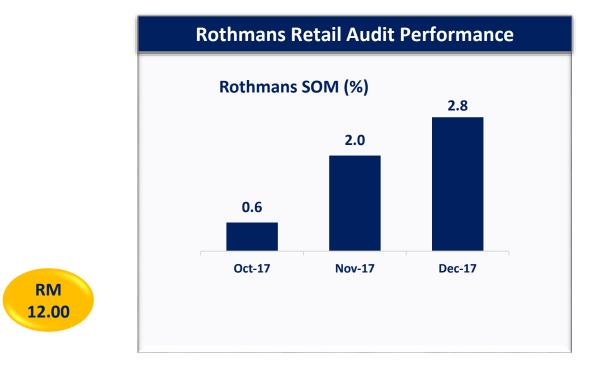


Source: YTD Dec Nielsen Retail Audit (Base: Total Legal Market – White + Kretek)

Strong start in emerging VFM segment

VFM important to address consumer affordability





Rothmans establishes a strong position Short term impact on gross margin, long term generator for growth

Strong brand portfolio enabling share recovery





We are proud of 2017

The business is stronger in spite of a challenging macro environment

1 **Dunhill market share growing** Aspirational Premium gaining segment leadership since Feb'17 2 Rothmans entering VFM with strong equity and winning 3 formula 4 Business transformation successful – full importation model 5 BATM moved to its new corporate office Award in corporate governance by Minority Shareholder 6 Watchdog Group 7 BATM certified as "Top Employer"









Our concern - Illegal cigarettes continued to grow

+1.7ppt GPI **59.0** 58.9 58.0 **58.1** 57.3 47.1 35.9 **Illicit Volume Share** Sep'15 Nov'15 **May'16 Oct'16 Dec'16** Q1'17 Q2'17 Q3'17 Q4'17

Challenging environment for any legal company to operate in

Source: Track Dec 2017 (R3M)

Shareholder's value negatively impacted by illegal trade





Growth of illegal trade has direct correlation with revenue evolution of BATM

Massive illegal trade should be hard to hide!!!



625 million packs

• 90 warehouses?

1500 delivery vans?

Est about RM 1bn

No tax paid (est RM4b loss)

Est RM 250 mn





Product regulation

The Bitter Truth: Illegal cigarette trade is a huge societal problem

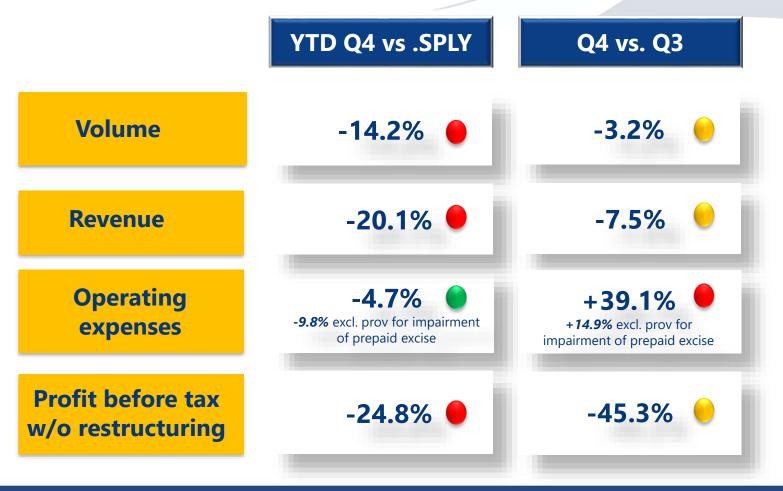
- Illegal cigarette trade is simply too big to ignore At close to 60%, it is the biggest tobacco player, though not contributing anything to this country.
- Accepting it undermines shareholder returns, the health agenda, many jobs in the legal industry and tax revenues that could be invested in the development of the country (schools, infrastructure etc).
- The size of the illegal cigarette trade is beyond the enforcement capability of the RMC alone.
- If one wants to solve it, than it requires an integrated and focused approach between all Law Enforcement Agencies. It should be a national priority!
- In addition we believe that all relevant stakeholders should have the willingness and open-mindedness to consider any alternative solutions, irrespective of origin, to eradicate this immense societal problem.
- We know that smokers will not quit smoking via more restrictions for the legal industry, as long as cheap illegal cigarettes are widely available.



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Financial Metrics Evolution

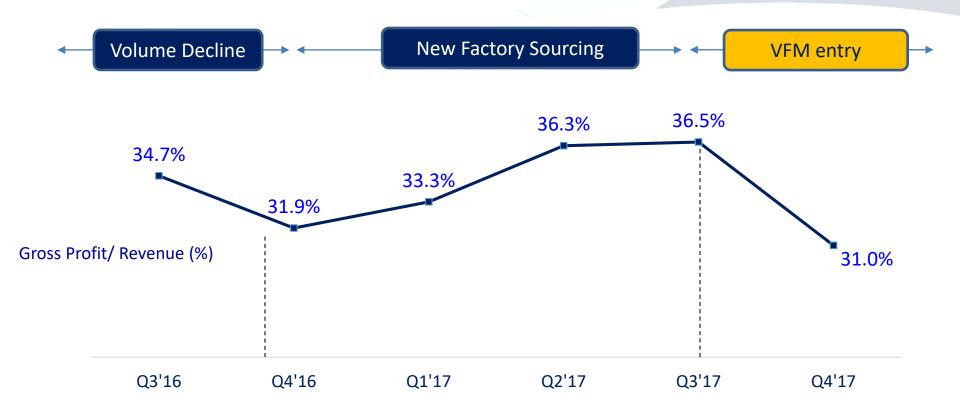




Q4 bottom line impacted by VFM launch investment

Gross margin evolution quarter on quarter



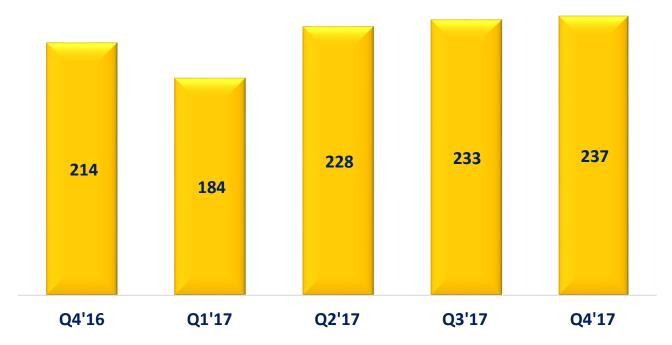


Sourcing change allowed margins recovery in 2017 & investment for VFM

Inventories evolution quarter on quarter



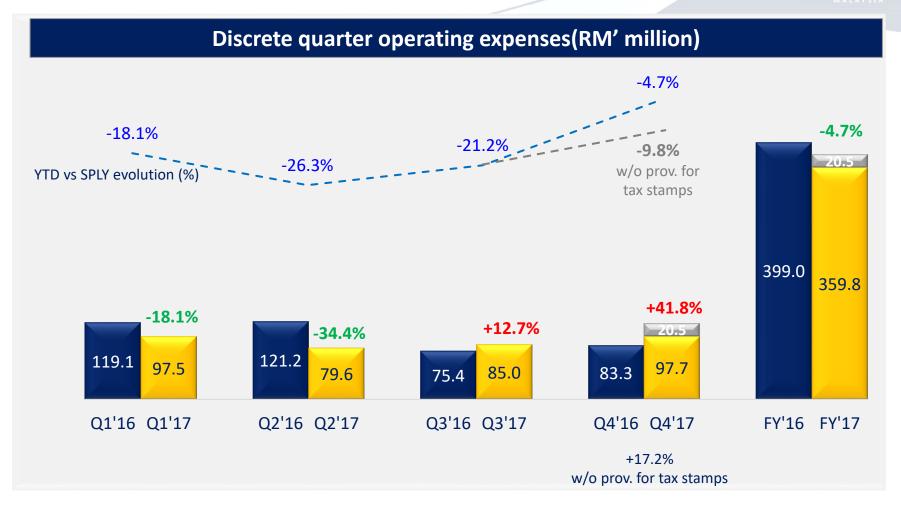
Total Inventories (RM'mn)



Inventories increased due to prepaid excise duties. Continuous effort to optimize working capital

Operating expenses evolution quarter on quarter

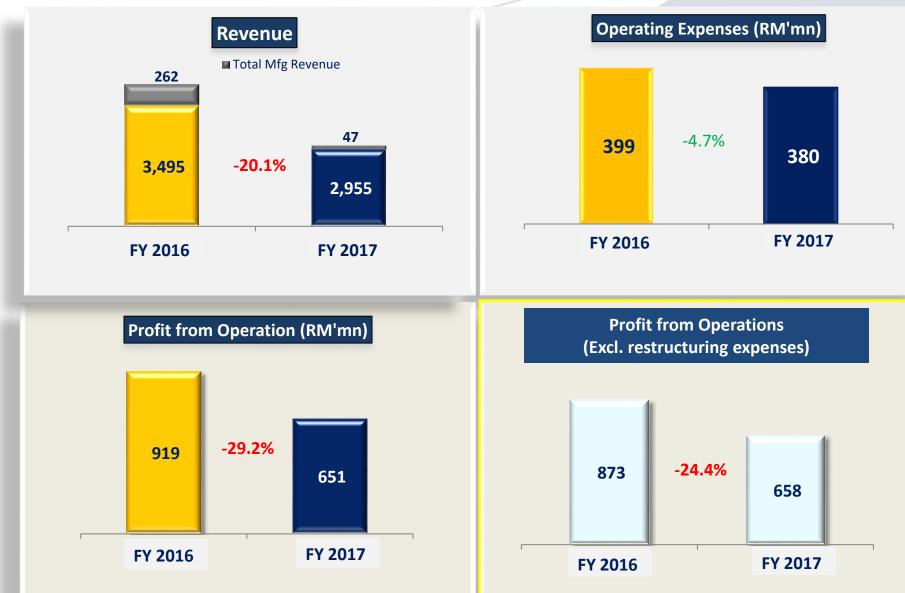
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Continuous focus on cost base to optimize profit

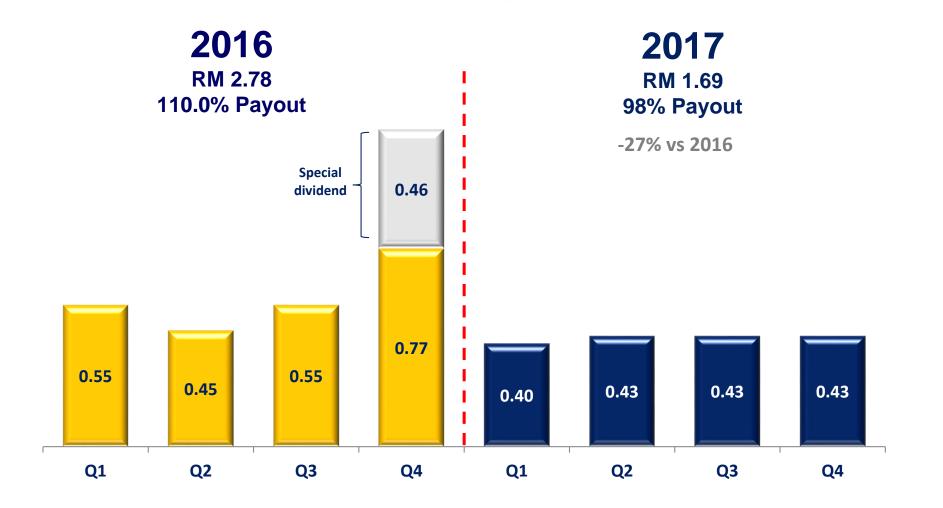
Optimizing cost in delivering bottom line 2017 Performance vs. SPLY





Dividend payout





Business challenges remains unchanged



High illegal cigarette level

Consumer Affordability

Future outlook dependent on the recovery of the legal market and the willingness to take positive actions



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