

# **Overweight**

# **Automotive**

# Robust Feb25 4W Sales, Yet Still Down in 2M25

- 2M25 sales fell to 134.1k units (-4% yoy, 15% of our/Gaikindo estimate, or slighty below), despite strong Feb25 sales (+17% mom).
- 4W discount remains quite a decent post-IIMS expo, with several brands maintaining discount that they offer during IIMS.
- Reiterate the OW rating on sector, with Buy on ASII. We expect Feb25 run rate to continue, supported by deliveries on several CBU models.

## 2M25 number still showing weakness, despite robust Feb25 sales

4W wholesales reached 72.3k in Feb25 (+17% mom/+2% yoy), bringing 2M25 sales to 134.1k units (-4% yoy, 15% of our/Gaikindo estimate, or slightly below). Despite the robust Feb25 sales, mainly due to IIMS 2025 (recording ~22k SPK) and BCA Expo, it is still insufficient to lead 2M25 figures to positive growth, even with low base in 2M24. We think this shows the impact of lower purchasing power, yet also partially due to lack of exciting new models. Wuling (+92% mom/+61% yoy), Chery (+58% mom/-0.4% yoy), and Mitsubishi (+33% mom/+11% yoy) were showing robust growth in Feb25, which we think driven by hefty discount that by Wuling and Chery offer. Meanwhile, 4W retail sales reached 69.9k in Feb25 (+9% mom/-0.8% yoy), bringing 4W retail sales to 133k (-10% yoy). Inventory at retail level continues to remain high for Toyota, which might induce further discounts in upcoming months. Meanwhile, 2W sales still recorded decent growth, reaching 581k in Feb25 (+4% mom/+4% yoy), bringing 2M25 sales to 1.1mn (-0.8% yoy).

#### Post-IIMS 4W discounts are higher mom, though still decent

Despite our observation of large discounts during IIMS, especially on Hyundai and Wuling, post-IIMS discount remains relatively high at 7.6% of unit price, based on our price tracker, vs 6.3% in Jan25. Nevertheless, it is not as high as the discount on Aug24 (8.2%). We observed Toyota and Wuling are still maintaining IIMS discount rate at end of Feb25, with ~3% discount of OTR price for Innova, and Wuling EV at >10% discount. Additionally, as we mentioned in the <u>previous report</u>, we notice that Toyota has raised its OTR price by 3%-4%, while Honda has not increased its price (we heard it is planning around 3% price hike). Meanwhile, Mitsubishi has also raised its Xpander price by 3%.

#### **Reiterate Overweight for Auto Sector**

We reiterate our **Overweight** rating, as we observed lower contraction in 4W in 2M25 (-4% yoy, vs -11% yoy in 1M25). We expect the Feb25 run rate to continue in upcoming months, supported by deliveries of several CBU models (ie Denza, BYD Sealion). While ASII's market share declined slightly to 54% in Feb25 (vs 2-years average of 56%), we believe it is temporary due to the lack of new models in IIMS and less aggressive discount. We have **a Buy** rating for ASII, with a TP of **Rp5,800**. Downside risks for the sector: 1) 4W run-rate slowdown in upcoming months, thus implying downside to 4W growth expectations; 2) Steep rise on auto loan financing rate.

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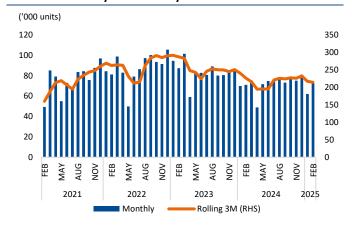
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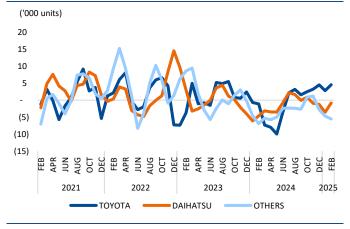


**Exhibit 1. Industry 4W Monthly Wholesales** 



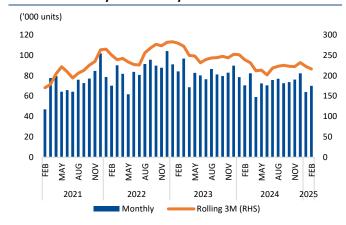
Source: Gaikindo, BRIDS

**Exhibit 3. Industry 4W Inventory Level** 



Source: Gaikindo, BRIDS

**Exhibit 2. Industry 4W Monthly Retail Sales** 



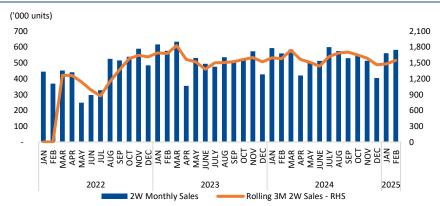
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**Exhibit 4. ASII 4W Market Share** 



Source: Gaikindo, BRIDS

**Exhibit 5. Industry 2W Monthly Sales** 



Source: AISI, BRIDS



# **Exhibit 6. % Price Discounts of 4W to OTR Prices**

Brand	Туре	Sep-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25
Toyota	Fortuner	4.9%	5.2%	4.5%	3.6%	4.3%
	Rush	10.5%	10.5%	10.6%	7.8%	
	Innova	3.9%	5.8%	4.7%	3.5%	3.4%
	Avanza	5.7%	9.5%	10.5%	5.8%	8.5%
Mitsubishi	Xpander	4.0%	6.8%		6.5%	
	BR-V	10.4%	6.5%		14.7%	
Honda	Brio	11.0%	10.9%		0.5%	1.6%
	HR-V	9.3%	6.5%	11.7%	11.7%	6.5%

Source: BRIDS Survey





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## **INVESTMENT RATING**

BUYExpected total return of 10% or more within a 12-month periodHOLDExpected total return between -10% and 10% within a 12-month periodSELLExpected total return of -10% or worse within a 12-month period

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