

# Overweight

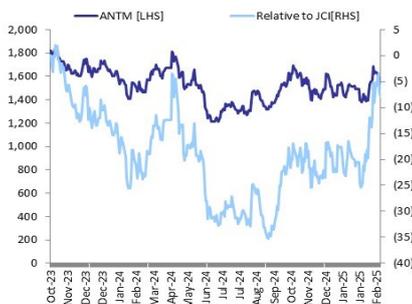
(Upgraded)

Tactical (3M): OW

## NCKL relative to JCI Index



## ANTM relative to JCI Index



Source: Bloomberg

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# Metal Mining

## 4Q25 preview: Less Volume, But Better Margins

- 4Q25E earnings are driven by ASP appreciation and margin expansion, despite muted volume growth across companies in the sector.
- We expect ANTM and MBMA to lead earnings performance, supported by cost efficiency and HGNM production normalization.
- We upgraded the sector to Overweight with a revised pecking order of ANTM > NCKL > TINS > INCO.

### 4Q25 preview: Less volume, better margin

Entering 4Q25E, we expect an improvement in the metal mining sector’s earnings, primarily driven by ASP appreciation and margin expansion rather than aggressive volume growth. Higher ASPs across nickel-based commodities (+0.1-1.1% qoq), including a ~0.5% qoq uplift in saprolite nickel ore (~1.6% grade), support margin expansion. As a result, sector GPM and NPM are projected to expand to approximately ~17% and 10.1% in 4Q25F, alongside sector revenue growth of ~9% qoq, supported by ANTM (+59% qoq) and MBMA (+152% qoq) following HGNM production normalization after halting in 3Q25.

### 4Q25 earnings potential outperformers: MBMA, ANTM

Based on recent operational releases, our focus remains on MBMA, which is showing a meaningful operational recovery, particularly from the restart of its HGNM segment. This is supported by ASP growth of around +5% y-y alongside a -9% y-y decline in cash costs, driving margin improvement. We also estimate ANTM’s earnings to remain robust, reaching +109% of our estimate and +110% of consensus estimates, supported by a solid contribution from the nickel segment despite softer gold sales volume in 4Q25F.

### Earnings growth play on FY26F

Entering FY26F, government policy particularly the planned 34% yoy cut in nickel production to ~250 mn wmt is set to become a key catalyst for nickel-based metal stocks. In our previous report on INCO, we highlighted a potential structural shift in the global nickel market from a surplus of ~107 kt to a deficit of ~705 kt. We expect RKAB approvals to be prioritized toward SOEs (ANTM) and integrated players (NCKL). Consequently, FY26F earnings growth is projected to outpace revenue growth (see Exh. 1), favoring stocks with strong feedstock visibility and operating leverage, where earnings delivery and estimate upgrades should drive returns.

### Upgrade sector to Overweight with top pick of ANTM/NCKL

We upgraded the sector to **Overweight and Tactical (3M): OW**, supported by improving margin dynamics in 4Q25F and stronger earnings visibility into FY26F amid a more disciplined nickel supply outlook. Our updated pecking order is **ANTM > NCKL > TINS > INCO**. ANTM and NCKL remain our top picks given sustained ore pricing, integrated operations, and high earnings sensitivity to ASP upside. MBMA continues to benefit from the normalization of HGNM operations, while TINS is upgraded on improving feedstock quality and favorable tin price momentum. INCO remains more tactically positioned amid feedstock and earnings volatility.

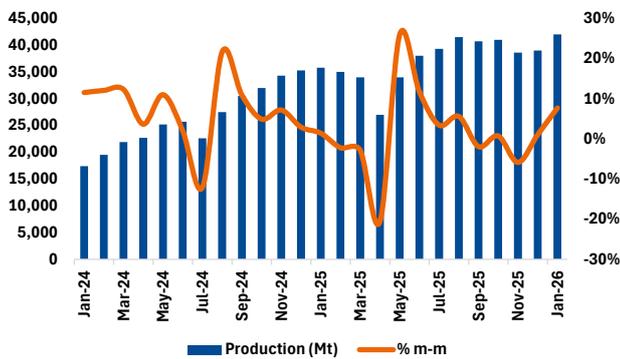
Company	Ticker	Rec	Target Price (Rp)	Market Cap. (RpBn)	P/E (x)		P/BV (x)		ROE (%) 2026F
					2025F	2026F	2025F	2026F	
Aneka Tambang	ANTM IJ	BUY	4,800	93,479.7	11.9	10.4	2.6	2.3	23.6
Vale	INCO IJ	BUY	7,500	66,927.6	35.4	14.2	1.5	1.4	9.9
Merdeka Battery Materials	MBMA IJ	UR	u/r	73,976.8	u/r	u/r	u/r	u/r	u/r
Merdeka Copper Gold	MDKA IJ	UR	u/r	75,621.5	u/r	u/r	u/r	u/r	u/r
Trimegah Bangun Persada	NCKL IJ	BUY	1,800	83,921.1	9.6	7.0	2.2	1.8	28.5
Timah	TINS IJ	BUY	4,100	25,024.5	18.9	11.6	3.0	2.5	23.7

**Exhibit 1. Metal’s Sector 4Q25F and FY25F-26F Preview Highlights**

Metal Mining Sector (US\$ Mn)	4Q24	3Q25	4Q25E	q-q (%)	y-y (%)	FY24	FY25F	y-y (%)	4Q25F Cons	y-y (%)	FY25F Cons	y-y (%)	FY25 Target (%)	Cons FY25 Target (%)	Our FY26F Target	y-y (%)	FY26 Cons Target	y-y (%)
Revenue	3,463	2,943	3,199	8.7	-7.6	11,778	12,867	9.2	2,360	-31.8	12,729	8.1	92.7	93.7	16,233	26.2	16,158	25.6
Gross profit	420	568	543	-4.5	29.3	1,519	2,185	43.9	527	25.6	2,135	40.5	97.2	99.5	3,502	60.3	3,115	42.5
Operating profit	241	429	543	26.7	125.5	1,001	1,562	56.1	364	51.2	1,546	54.5	100.3	101.3	2,714	73.8	2,485	59.0
Net profit	221	263	312	18.7	40.8	731	1,256	71.7	233	5.4	1,131	54.7	85.1	94.5	1,869	48.8	1,674	33.3
GPM	12.1%	19.3%	17.0%			12.9%	17.0%											
OPM	7.0%	14.6%	17.0%			8.5%	12.1%											
NPM	6.4%	8.9%	9.7%			6.2%	9.8%											

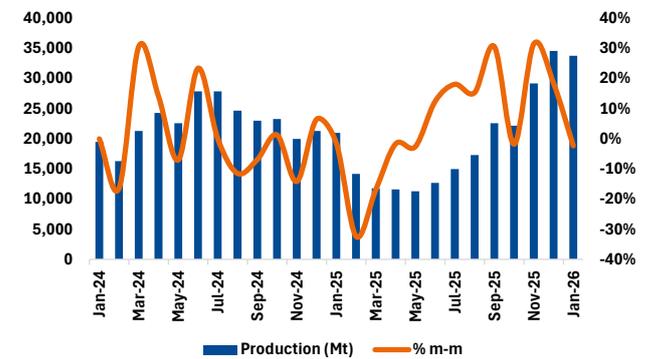
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**Exhibit 2. Monthly MHP production (mt)**



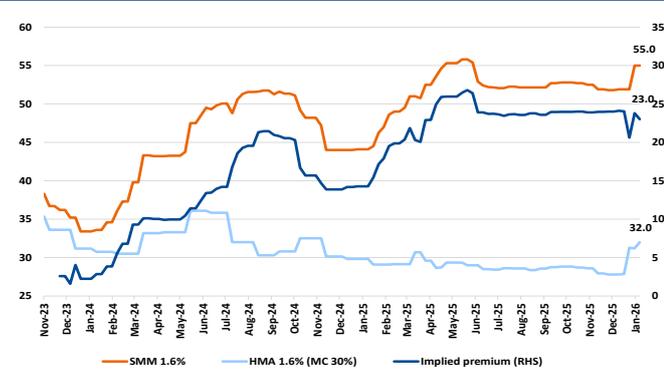
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**Exhibit 3. Monthly matte production (mt)**



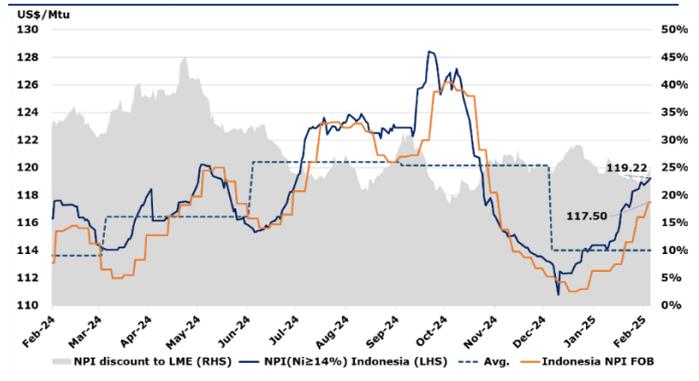
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**Exhibit 4. Nickel ore remains strong (US\$/wmt)**



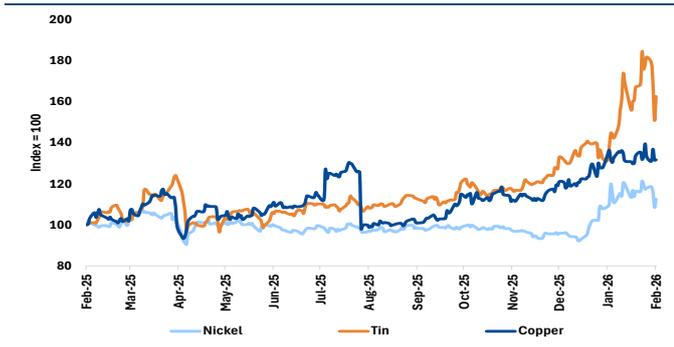
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**Exhibit 5. NPI price trend**



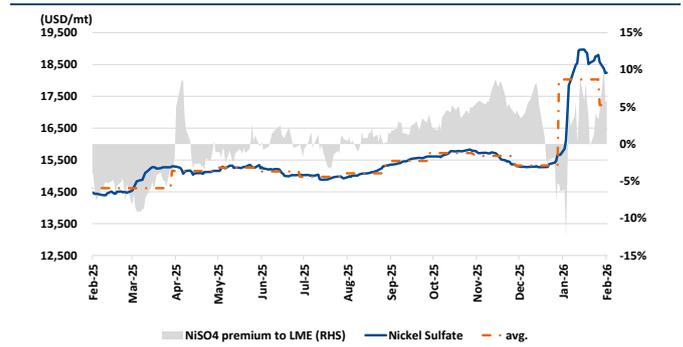
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**Exhibit 6. 1 year LME Nickel, Tin and Copper performance**



Source: Bloomberg, BRIDS

**Exhibit 7. MHP price**



Source: SMM, Bloomberg, BRIDS

**Exhibit 8. NCKL's 4Q25F and FY25F Preview Highlights**

NCKL (Rp Bn)	4Q24	3Q25	4Q25E	q-q (%)	y-y (%)	FY24	FY25F	y-y (%)	4Q25F Cons	q-q (%)	FY25F Cons	y-y (%)
Revenue	6,587	8,307	5,650	-32.0	-14.2	26,965	28,053	4.0	6,747	-18.8	29,601	9.8
Gross profit	1,785	2,634	2,098	-20.4	17.5	8,447	9,472	12.1	1,343	-49.0	9,524	12.8
Operating profit	1,231	2,318	1,322	-43.0	7.3	6,857	7,766	13.3	671	-71.0	8,115	18.3
Net profit	1,541	2,345	2,314	-1.3	50.2	6,380	8,761	37.3	2,030	-13.4	8,380	31.4
GPM	27%	32%	37%			31%	34%					
OPM	19%	28%	23%			25%	28%					
NPM	23%	28%	41%			24%	31%					

Source: Company, Bloomberg, BRIDS Estimates

**Exhibit 9. ANTM's 4Q25F and FY25F Preview Highlights**

ANTM (Rp Bn)	4Q24	3Q25	4Q25E	q-q (%)	y-y (%)	FY24	FY25F	y-y (%)	4Q25F Cons	q-q (%)	FY25F Cons	y-y (%)
Revenue	25,991	13,008	20,377	56.6	-21.6	69,192	92,405	33.5	9,509	-26.9	96,423	39.4
Gross profit	2,395	2,746	1,426	-48.1	-40.5	6,498	12,410	91.0	1,892	-31.1	13,945	114.6
Operating profit	1,134	1,750	-5	-100.3	-100.5	2,998	7,883	162.9	456	-73.9	9,232	207.9
Net profit	1,446	1,278	1,663	30.1	15.0	3,647	7,637	109.4	423	-66.9	7,662	110.1
GPM	9%	21%	7%			9%	13%					
OPM	4%	13%	0%			4%	9%					
NPM	6%	10%	8%			5%	8%					

Source: Company, Bloomberg, BRIDS Estimates

**Exhibit 10. INCO's 4Q25F and FY25F Preview Highlights**

INCO (US\$ Mn)	4Q24	3Q25	4Q25E	q-q (%)	y-y (%)	FY24	FY25F	y-y (%)	4Q25F Cons	q-q (%)	FY25F Cons	y-y (%)
Revenue	242	279	294	5.5	21.6	950	999	5.1	250	-10.3	974	2.5
Gross profit	28	43	76	76.5	172.6	108	150	38.6	38	-13.4	122	12.8
Operating profit	11	40	75	89.1	563.0	70	124	77.6	41	1.6	90	28.3
Net profit	3	30	60	98.1	1876.9	58	118	104.6	23	-25.6	78	35.4
GPM	12%	16%	26%			11%	15%					
OPM	5%	14%	26%			7%	12%					
NPM	1%	11%	20%			6%	12%					

Source: Company, Bloomberg, BRIDS Estimates

**Exhibit 11. MBMA’s 4Q25F and FY25F Preview Highlights**

MBMA (US\$ Mn)	4Q24	3Q25	4Q25E	q-q (%)	y-y (%)	FY24	FY25F	y-y (%)	4Q25F Cons	q-q (%)	FY25F Cons	y-y (%)
Revenue	465	307	775	152,3	66,8	1.845	1.710	-7,3	346	12,6	1.490	-19,2
Gross profit	35	43	93	116,9	168,1	114	185	62,5	55	28,8	165	44,4
Operating profit	21	33	54	64,9	151,3	80	122	53,0	44	35,1	108	35,5
Net profit	4	19	10	-47,2	137,8	23	36	56,1	9	-55,8	35	55,5
GPM	7%	14%	12%			6%	11%					
OPM	5%	11%	7%			4%	7%					
NPM	1%	6%	1%			1%	2%					

Source: Company, Bloomberg, BRIDS Estimates

**Exhibit 12. MDKA’s 4Q25F and FY25F Preview Highlights**

MDKA (US\$ Mn)	4Q24	3Q25	4Q25E	q-q (%)	y-y (%)	FY24	FY25F	y-y (%)	4Q25F Cons	q-q (%)	FY25F Cons	y-y (%)
Revenue	571	935	347	-62,9	-39,3	2,239	2,136	-4,6	534	-42,9	1,987	-11,3
Gross profit	58	118	106	-10,3	81,5	176	329	86,8	189	60,6	267	51,2
Operating profit	40	86	79	-8,9	95,6	119	244	105,0	176	103,8	205	72,1
Net profit	11	-23	58	n/a	n/a	-56	19	n/a	30	n/a	-17	n/a
GPM	10%	13%	30%			8%	15%					
OPM	7%	9%	23%			5%	11%					
NPM	2%	-2%	17%			-2%	1%					

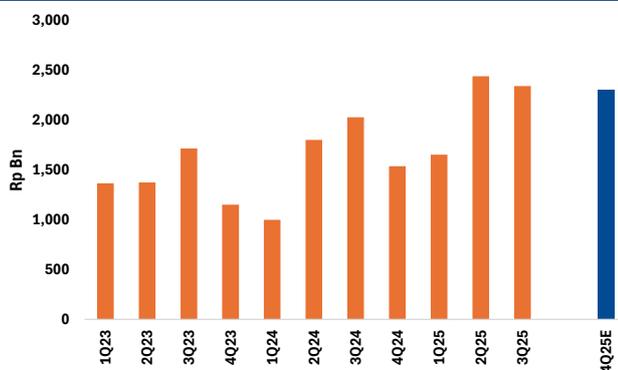
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**Exhibit 13. TINS’s 4Q25F and FY25F Preview Highlights**

TINS (Rp Bn)	4Q24	3Q25	4Q25E	q-q (%)	y-y (%)	FY24	FY25F	y-y (%)	4Q25F Cons	q-q (%)	FY25F Cons	y-y (%)
Revenue	2,602	2,388	5,326	123,0	104,7	10,856	11,933	9,9	3,500	46,6	10,887	0,3
Gross profit	630	690	1,462	111,8	131,9	2,830	2,998	5,9	700	1,4	2,677	-5,4
Operating profit	336	427	1,017	138,2	202,7	1,755	1,824	3,9	490	14,7	1,565	-10,9
Net profit	278	302	720	138,0	159,0	1,187	1,322	11,4	350	15,8	1,075	-9,4
GPM	24%	29%	27%			26%	25%					
OPM	13%	18%	19%			16%	15%					
NPM	11%	13%	14%			11%	11%					

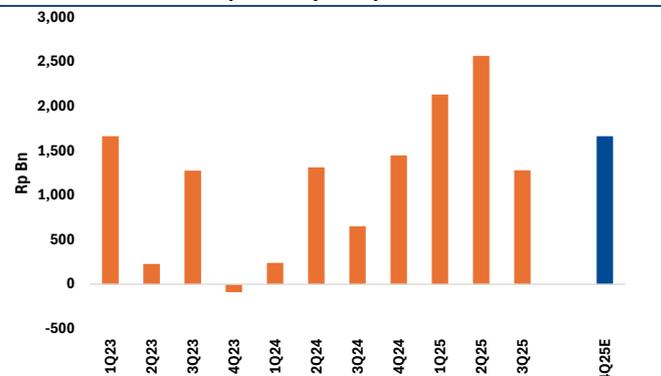
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**Exhibit 14. NCKL’s quarterly net profits**



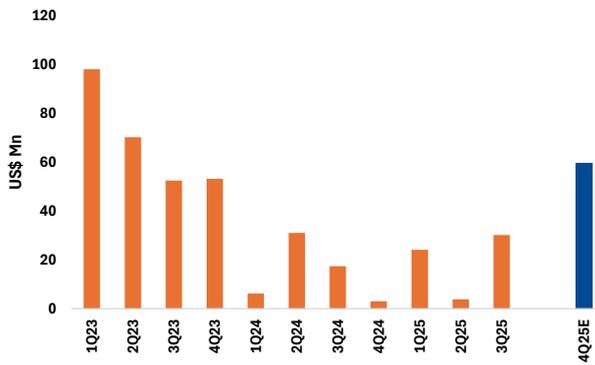
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**Exhibit 15. ANTM’s quarterly net profits**



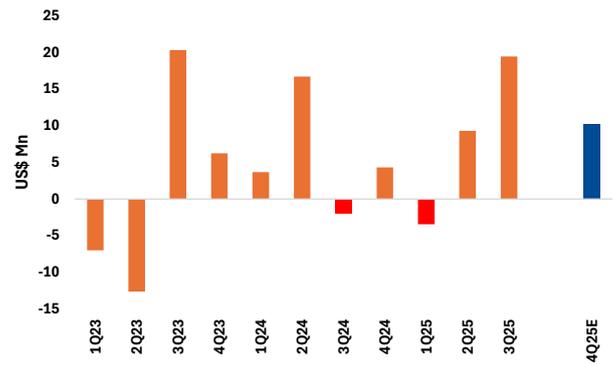
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**Exhibit 16. INCO's quarterly net profits**



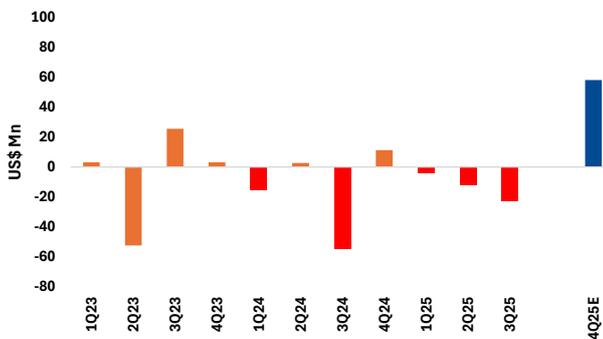
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**Exhibit 17. MBMA's quarterly net profits**



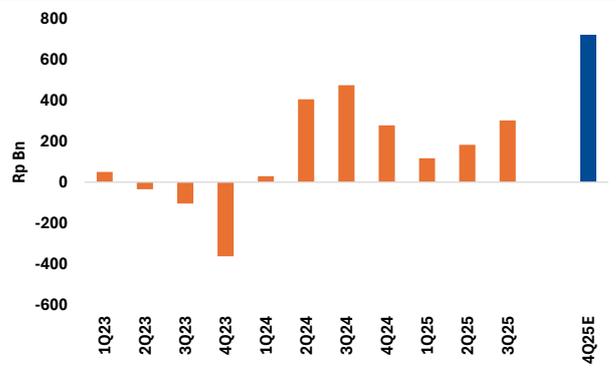
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**Exhibit 18. MDKA's quarterly net profits**



Source: Company, Brids Estimates

**Exhibit 19. TINS's quarterly net profits**



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**Exhibit 20. NCKL P/E Band Chart (3-year)**



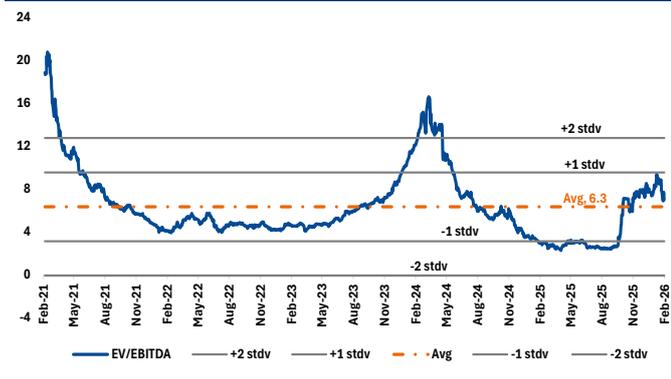
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**Exhibit 21. ANTM P/E Band Chart (5-year)**



Source: Company, Brids Estimates

Exhibit 22. TINS EV/EBITDA Band chart (3-year)



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Exhibit 23. MDKA EV/EBITDA band chart (3-year)



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Exhibit 24. INCO P/E Band chart (5-year)



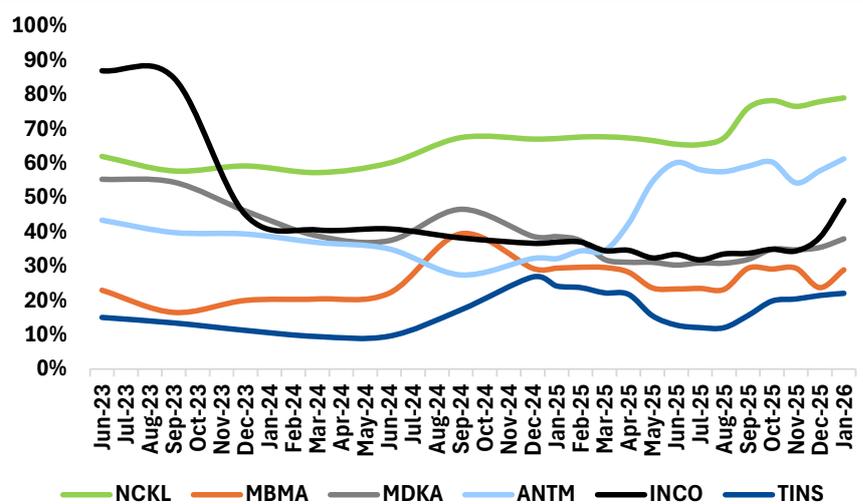
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Exhibit 25. MBMA EV/EBITDA Band chart (3-year)



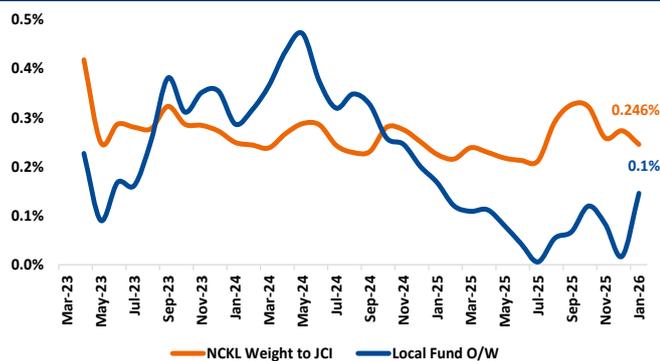
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Exhibit 26. Foreign Ownership



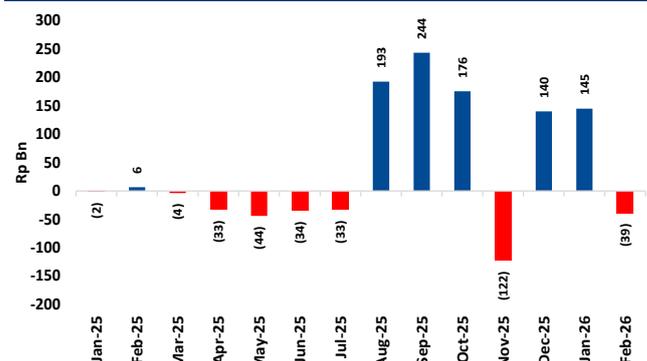
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**Exhibit 27. NCKL's Weighting and Local Fund Position**



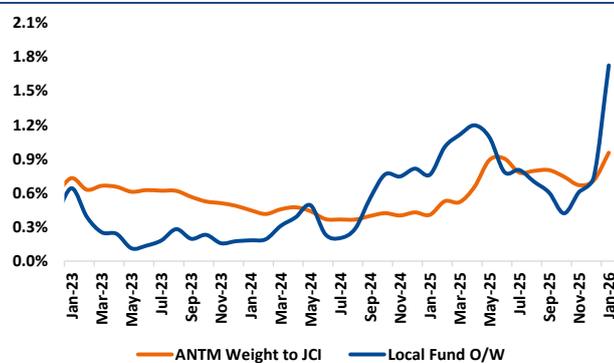
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**Exhibit 28. Historical Foreign Flows – NCKL (Monthly)**



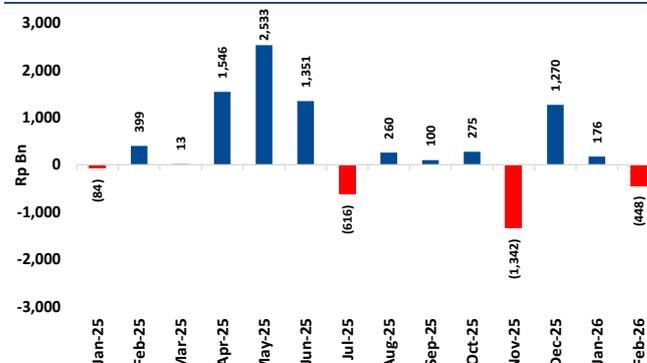
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**Exhibit 29. ANTM's Weighting and Local Fund Position**



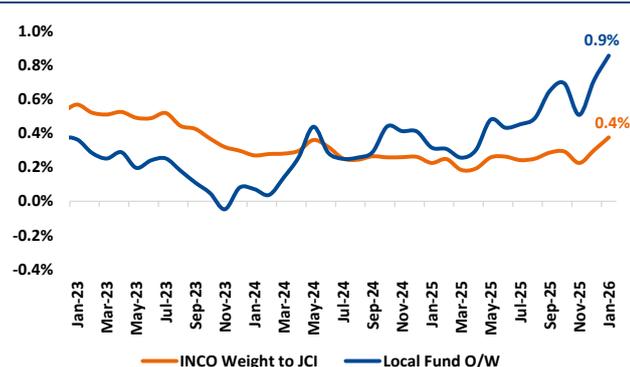
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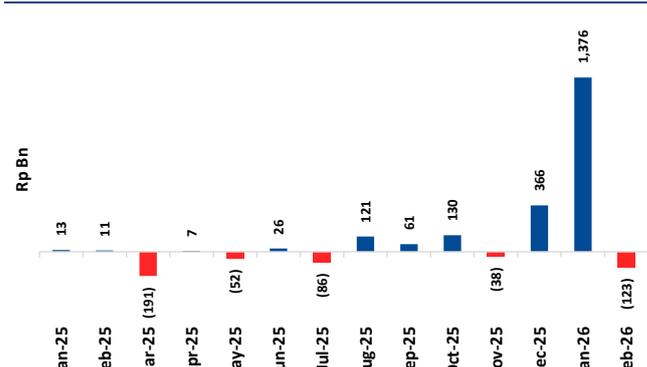
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**Exhibit 31. INCO's Weighting and Local Fund Position**



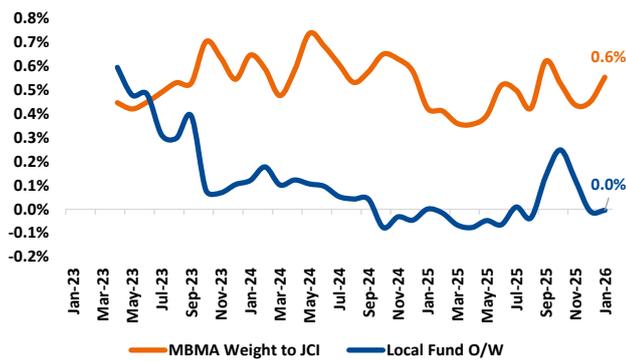
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**Exhibit 32. Historical Foreign Flows – INCO (Monthly)**



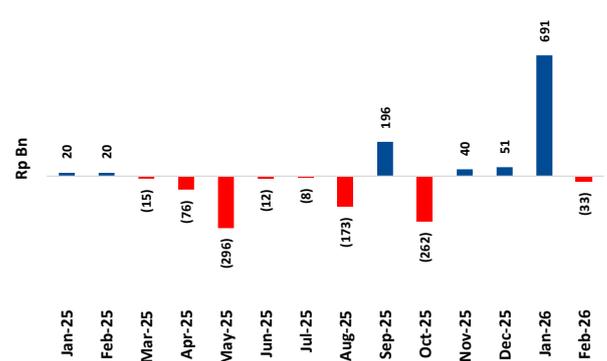
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**Exhibit 33. MBMA’s Weighting and Local Fund Position**



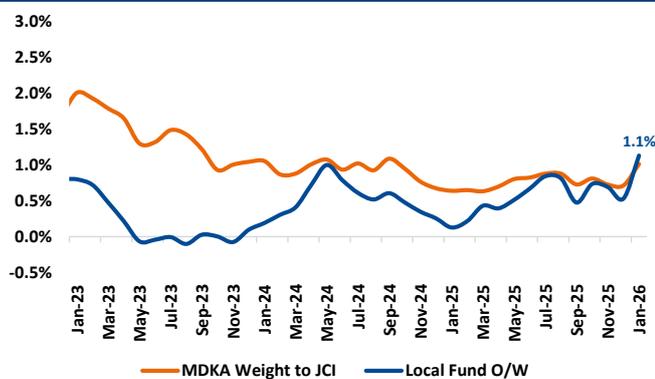
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**Exhibit 34. Historical Foreign Flows – MBMA (Monthly)**



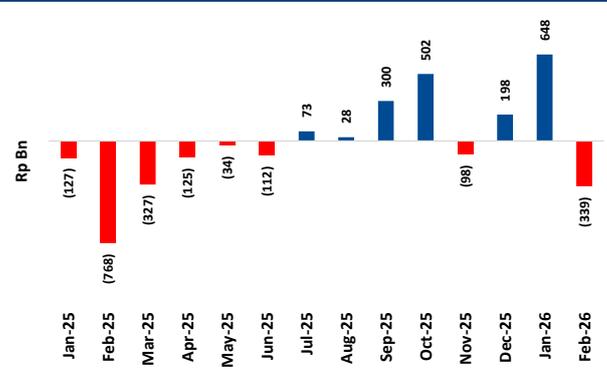
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**Exhibit 35. MDKA’s Weighting and Local Fund Position**



Source: KSEI, BRIDS

**Exhibit 36. Historical Foreign Flows – MDKA (Monthly)**



Source: IDX, BRIDS

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