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CPF records 3.8% net profit on overseas gains

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Charoen Pokphand Foods Plc (CPF), a leading agro-business conglomerate, reported yesterday a 3.8% year-on year rise in last year's net profit thanks to its growing overseas businesses.

The company registered full-year net profit of 15.3 billion baht in 2017, up from 14.7 billion recorded a year earlier.

Sales revenue was logged at 502 billion baht, up 8% year-on-year, from 464 billion in 2016.

Overseas investment accounted for 64% of total sales, said Adirek Sripratak, chairman of the executive committee at CPF.

Overseas investments expecting to generate business growth in the future comprise operations in China, Vietnam, Russia, India and the US, said Mr Adirek.

The company has also expanded businesses into countries with high growth opportunities, covering 16 countries at present, he said.

CPF's business operation in the agroindustrial industry focuses on meat and processed foods.

Sooksunt Jiumjaiswanglerg, chief executive for agro-industrial business and copresident at CPF, said most of the company's business grew well as planned last year.

But challenges occurred in its swine business in Asia as a result of falling prices, said Mr Sooksunt.

The price of pork dropped lower than the production cost, particularly in Vietnam, but the situation has gradually eased and pork prices are expected to rise going forward, he said.

"The company strengthened its efficiency both in management and operations. We estimate the company's operating result will increase by 5-8% this year," said Mr Sooksunt.

Consumers demand not only good taste for their food products, but also food safety throughout the production chain, said Sukhawat Dansermasuk, chief executive for food business and co-president at CPF.

To serve such demand, the company has invested both in a R&D centre and a traceable food processing system to ensure the quality of its products, said Mr Sukhawat.

At the recent annual general shareholders' meeting, CPF's board of directors approved paying a dividend of 25 satang per share in addition to a 50-satang interim dividend given to shareholders on Sept 8, 2017.

PMAC attendees learn how to battle antimicrobials resistance from CPF's swine farm

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Prince Mahidol Award Conference (PMAC)'s attendees from notable organizations across the world visits standard swine farm of Charoen Pokphand Foods PCL (CPF), one of world's largest food conglomerates and third largest swine producer in the world, to learn on best welfare practices, especially on the prevention of antimicrobials resistance.

CPF's Rayong Plant II in Rayong, 200 kilometers East Bangkok, welcomed more than 40 specialists from Prince Mahidol Award Conference 2018 who interested in standard swine farm and prudent antimicrobial use issue. The plant has been recognized as a developed farm for its Good Agricultural Practice by Department of Livestock Development.

Dr. Damnoen Chaturavittawong (D.V.M), Senior Vice President of Swine Veterinary Service Department, said antimicrobials in animal are able to be used responsibly with veterinarian's prescription. Antimicrobials that are used for animals only are the priorities for CPF's animal treatment while shared -class antimicrobials of human medicine will be used as the last choice in order to prevent antimicrobials resistance in human.

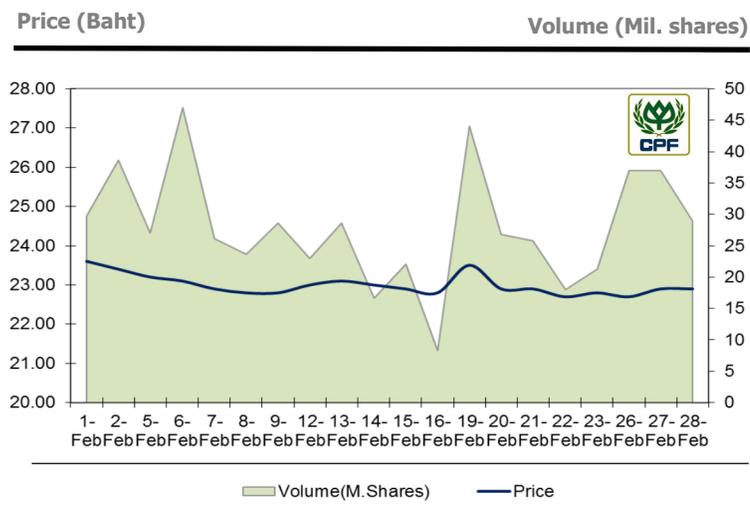
"Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in animal is becoming one of the biggest threats to human as it can increase antimicrobial resistance incidence in human as well. From review on Antimicrobial Resistance 2014 report, the AMR problem could result in 10 million deaths by 2050. Therefore the collaboration from all organization is needed to address this situation" he added.

CPF, as a leader in the industry with the vision "Kitchen of the World", is taking proactive role to tackle this issue. It has announced "Global Vision on Antimicrobials Use in Animals" since 16th October 2017, following the guidelines from the World Health Organization and other standards of veterinary associations and organizations. The vision has been implemented by all of CPF units across the globe.

CPF has prioritized the antimicrobials policy as follows; 1) practice animal-only antimicrobials just for therapeutic under veterinary oversight 2) elimination of the use of shared-class antimicrobials which are medically important for human medicine for growth promotion purposes globally 3) work with global partners to identify new and better ways to care for animals to enhance animal welfare and to reduce the need for antimicrobials 4) increase the role of the veterinarian in antimicrobial oversight 5) develop AMR monitoring program with national and international organizations .

The company believes that good swine practice is the key to lessen the use of antimicrobial. Keeping swine in a healthy condition would bring to the reduction of using antimicrobial. CPF implements the policy throughout the global food supply chain and collaborating with all parties under the "One Health", an approach to protect the health of people, animals and the global community.

Price Performances: CPF



February 2018	
Highest Price	23.80
Lowest Price	22.50
Closed Price	22.90
Average Volume/Day (Shares)	27,932,200

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