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# Key Highlights

**Operational and Market Updates** 

# Financial Review







**Stronger quarter** backed by higher quality subscribers and operational excellence

**Growth in core segments** – Postpaid, Home & Fibre, ICT solutions with stabilisation on prepaid

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Merger integration on track with savings realisation and increased productivity

Dividend 3.6 sen per share, highest since merger





### Q3 2024 Performance Continued momentum across the business

### Stabilised customer base and topline

Positive subs growth, total revenue grew 0.6% Q-Q

### Good performance in 3 of 4 core segments

Postpaid, Home & Fibre, ICT solutions grew, impact on Prepaid SIM consolidation lessened

### **Robust EBIT performance**

Strict cost management mitigated VSS cost, stable PAT growth



#### Capex investment on track

Network modernisation ahead of plan, RM1.2bn Capex spent YTD

### Elevated customer experience

Significant improvement in signal quality & throughput, transforming retail and digital experience Integration and transformation delivering synergy

YTD RM1.0bn gross synergy through Capex and P&L cost savings, ~RM250m integration cost







# **Operational and Market Updates**

### Merger Integration and Transformation Full momentum, enhancing productivity and customer experience



**Network Modernisation** 

At ~70% completion, on track to achieve 75% by year-end

Elevated quality of experience in post-consolidated areas



### **IT Transformation**

Major milestone in Billing and CRM system consolidation

Enabling transformative digital customer experience capabilities



#### **Next-Gen Retail**

Launched 30 new retail stores, to complete 50 by year-end

Improved sales productivity by 1.2x



#### Consumer

# Ramped up initiatives to drive growth and base management

#### Postpaid

Increase in ARPU / ARPA and subscriber retention from convergence, content bundles and family lines

High value plans upgrade from new 5G postpaid portfolio

New subscribers driven by Easy360 with latest 5G phones

### Prepaid

Quality subscribers via strategic focus on reducing one-time SIM, churn rate improved

Strong adoption on 5G plans

#### Home & Fibre

Outpaced market with strong double-digit growth

Compelling convergence offerings with smart home solutions, add-ons for family, streamers, gamers

Strong channel execution

### 20.3 million subscribers enabled for 5G

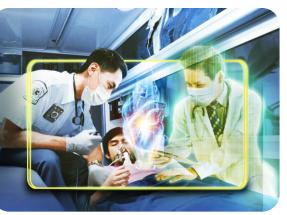


### Enterprise Accelerating AI adoption and emerging technology solutions









Steady core connectivity with quality subscriber growth in recent 4 months

Encouraging adoption of ICT solutions (+14% growth YTD)

High level of interest in AiX solutions, (~2,000 visitors including 72 corporates, 15 pilots live!)

### More commercial partnerships in the pipeline







# **Financial Review**

# Strong Profit Growth EBIT and PAT increase Q-Q and YTD, supported by disciplined cost management and lower D&A

RM'm	3Q24	2Q24	3Q23	Q-Q	Y-Y	9M24	9M23	YTD
Total Revenue	3,126	3,106	3,104	0.6%	<b>0.7</b> %	9,403	9,407	-0.04%
Service Revenue	2,689	2,695	2,713	- <b>0.2</b> %	- <b>0.9</b> %	8,072	8,122	-0.6%
EBIT	771	655	695	<b>17.7</b> %	10.9%	2,000	1,891	<b>5.8</b> %
ΡΑΤ	440	416	459	<b>5.8</b> %	-4.1%	1,227	1,127	<b>8.9</b> %
Capex	384	518	385	- <b>25.9</b> %	-0.3%	1,220	745	<b>63.8</b> %
Subscriber base (K)	20,255	20,223	20,600	0.2%	<b>-1.7</b> %	20,255	20,600	-1 <b>.7</b> %

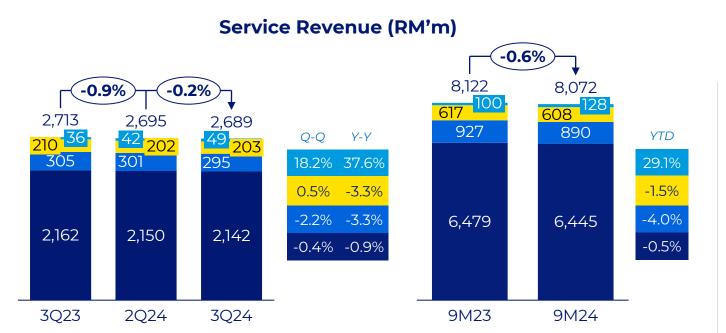
Continued growth in key revenue segments: Postpaid, Home & Fibre, and Enterprise Solutions offset Prepaid decline

EBIT & PAT up, supported by synergy-driven efficiency and lower D&A



### Stable Service Revenue Driven by strong Home & Fibre growth and Postpaid

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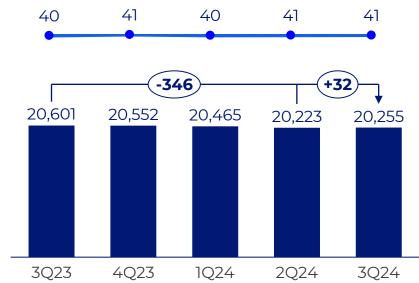


#### Service Revenue: Stable with a marginal decline of -0.2% Q-Q and -0.6% YTD

Continued strong momentum in Home & Fibre, alongside growth in Postpaid and ICT & connectivity solutions

Prepaid decline reflects the impact of SIM consolidation and a focus acquisition, paying for sustainable growth

#### **Total Subscribers & Blended ARPU**

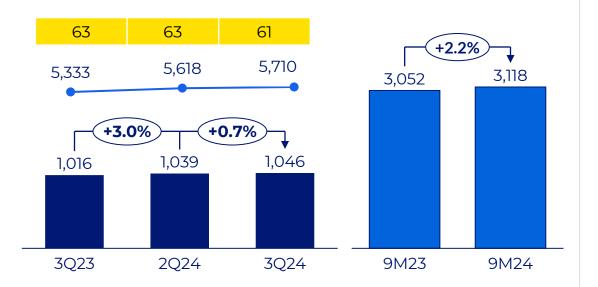


Positive subscriber growth with 32K net additions in this quarter, blended ARPU resilient at RM41

Enterprise Home & Fibre Wholesale

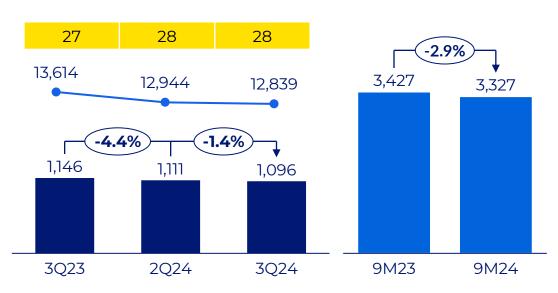
## Consumer Mobile<sup>16</sup> Postpaid growth momentum, Prepaid stabilising and resilient ARPUs

#### Postpaid



**Steady postpaid revenue growth** of 0.7% Q-Q and 2.2% YTD, supported by an expanding subscriber base, including the addition of family lines, content bundles and successful pre-to-postpaid migration

Added 92K subscribers this quarter and 377K Y-Y



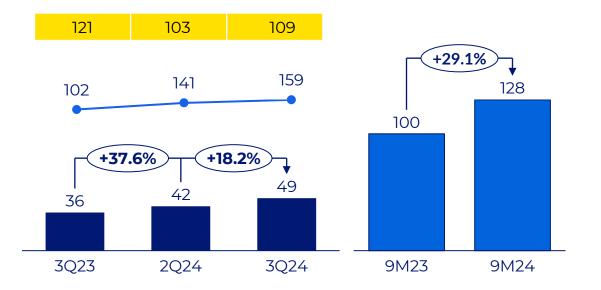
Prepaid

**Prepaid revenue stabilising:** Lessened impact from SIM consolidation and reduced reliance on one-time SIM, with affordable targeted plans driving growth

📕 Revenue (RM'm) 🛛 🛨 Subscribers ('000) 📒 ARPU (RM)



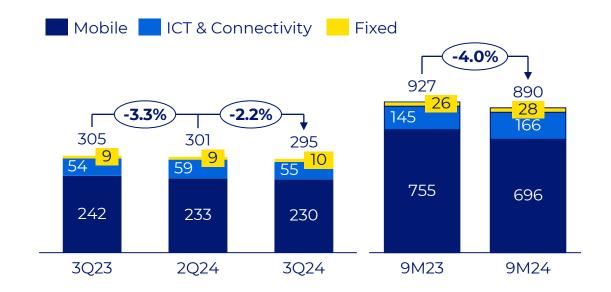
## Home & Fibre Maintained strong growth momentum



Home & Fibre revenue continues strong double-digit growth at 18.2% Q-Q, 37.6% Y-Y and 29.1% YTD

Subscribers grew with 18K net additions in this quarter and 57K Y-Y, while ARPU increased to RM109, supported by higher takeup of premium speed plans

# Enterprise Growth in ICT and connectivity solutions

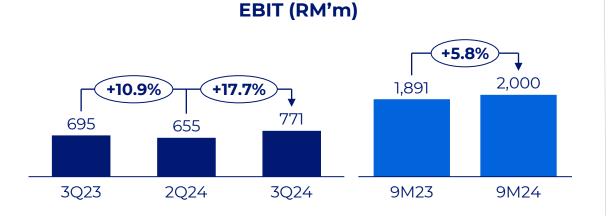


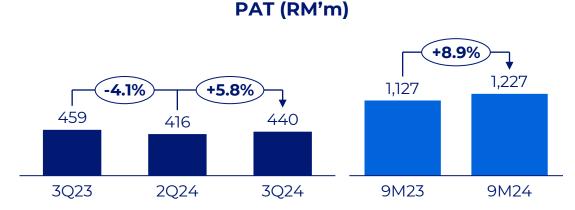
YTD ICT & Connectivity Solutions revenue grew 14%, cushioning decline in mobile

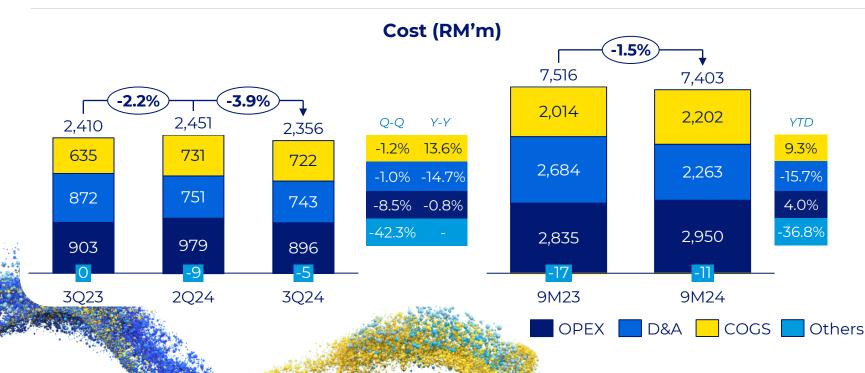
Mobile acquisitions in all segments with added focus in channels expansion



## Profit Growth Driven by realised synergies, cost efficiencies and lower D&A





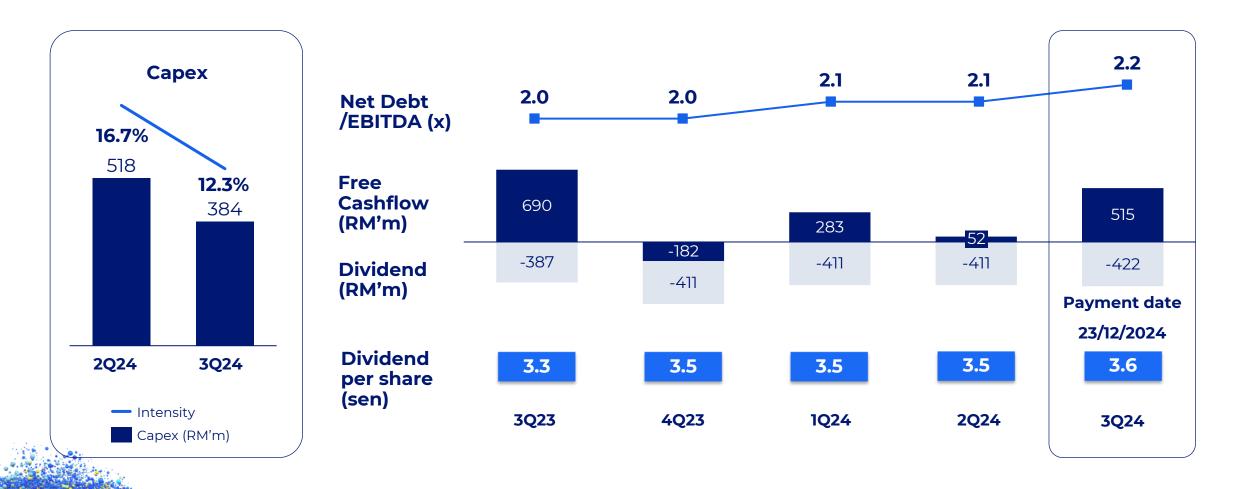


Total cost decreased 3.9% Q-Q and 1.5% YTD:

- Lower Opex cost efficiencies, realised synergy
- Lower D&A assets impacted by the change in useful lives fully depreciated
- Higher COGS 5G access and fibrerelated expenses

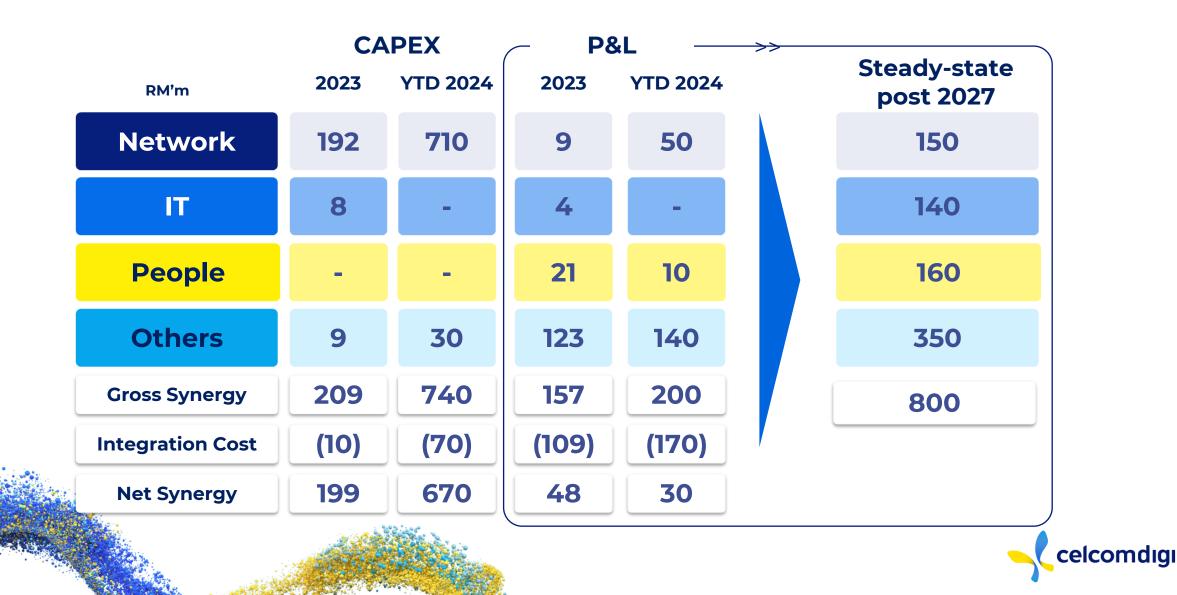


### Interim Dividend of 3.6 sen per share Lower Capex improved free cash flow, Net Debt/EBITDA at 2.2x





### Synergy on track RM800m cost reduction expected in steady-state post 2027







# Guidance



\*Revenue performance expected to remain flat or experience slight decrease due to effects of SIM consolidation and lesser focus on one-time SIM. We remain focused on revenue initiatives to drive growth and maintain strict cost management to strengthen our position in the long term.













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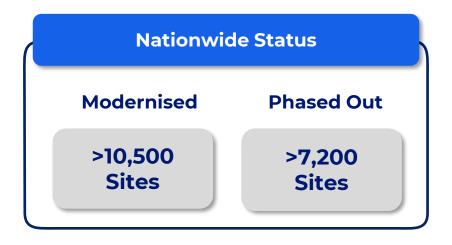
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# **APPENDICES**



### Network Modernisation At ~70% completion, on track to achieve 75% by year end



### 65% of Subscriber Enjoying New Network in the Modernised Areas

#### Improved Customer Experience in Post-consolidated Areas



## **Net Debt/EBITDA reconciliation**

RM'm	3Q23	4Q23	1Q24	2Q24	3Q24
Borrowings	7,430	7,642	7,644	8,020	8,082
Term Loan (Islamic)	2,480	2,780	2,781	2,857	2,857
Islamic Medium-Term Note (IMTN)/ Sukuk	4,247	4,247	4,247	4,947	4,596
Revolving Credit (Islamic)	-	-	-	100	500
Term Loan (Conventional)	697	609	610	97	100
Revolving Credit (Conventional)	1	1	1	7	22
Banker's Acceptance	5	5	5	12	7
Lease Liabilities	5,847	5,354	5,172	4,860	4,775
Total Debt	13,278	12,996	12,816	12,880	12,857
Cash and Bank Balances	747	397	269	273	474
Net Debt	12,530	12,599	12,547	12,608	12,383
4Q Rolling EBITDA	6,114	6,155	5,991	5,906	5,849
Net Debt/EBITDA	2.0x	2.0x	<b>2.1</b> x	<b>2.1</b> x	<b>2.2</b> x

