

COMPANY UPDATE

Monday, December 22th, 2025

Buy

 Price (Dec 19th, 25)
 2,190

 Target Price
 3,140

 Potential Upside
 +43.38%

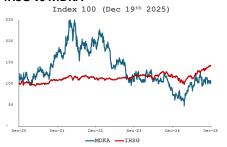
 Market Cap
 53.60T

 Number of Share
 24.47B

 52w Lo/Hi
 2,700/ 1,040

Source: IDX | Phintraco Sekuritas Research | as of Dec 19th, 2025

IHSG vs MDKA



Shareholder %
PT Sarataoga Investama Sedaya Tbk 19.47
PT Mitra Daya Mustika 11.88
Garibaldi Thohir 7.46
PT Suwarna Arta Mandiri 5.51
Pemerintah Daerah Kabupaten Banyuwangi 3.98
Public 50.44

Source: Company | as of fin. statement 9M25

EPS Consensus vs Forecast

Source: IDX

	AT	Consensus*	%Diff
2025F	-4.3	-1.85	-132%
2026F	68.7	77.7	-12%

Source: *bloomberg | as of Des 19th, 2025

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PT Merdeka Copper Gold Tbk (MDKA.JK / MDKA.JJ)

Sharia-compliant stocks

Unlocking Value by Optimizing Business Transition and Cost Efficiency

MDKA's revenue declined amidst the transition and optimization of its nickel business. MDKA's revenue decrease 23% YoY to US\$1.29 billion in 9M25 from US\$1.67 billion in 9M24. This decline was driven by weaker revenue from MDKA's subsidiary, PT Merdeka Battery Materials (MBMA), which fell 32% YoY to US\$935 million in 9M25. The decline in revenue from MBMA, or MDKA's nickel segment, was due to the cessation of HGNM production in 3Q25, which was diverted to higher-margin NPI operations. So, revenue from the HGNM segment decrease 74.47% YoY to US\$144 million in 9M25. Meanwhile, revenue in MDKA's gold segment increased by 51% YoY to US\$281 million, driven by rising gold prices that boosted MDKA's gold sales ASP (+35% YoY in 9M25) and gold demand that led MDKA's gold sales to increase 12% YoY to 89 thousand ounces in 9M25, reinforced by global uncertainty.

MDKA's EBITDA Increase 33% YoY to US\$295 million in 9M25. This increase was in line with a 33% YoY reduction in cost of revenue to US\$950 million, driven by a 43% YoY decrease in processing costs due to the cessation of HGNM production. Based on its contribution, MDKA's EBITDA was primarily supported by gold sales, which increased 75% YoY to US\$142 million or 48% of total EBITDA in 9M25. Meanwhile, the NPI segment grew 38% YoY to US\$105 million in 9M25, driven by an increase in saprolite ore from SCM's internal mine, thereby reducing RKEF's cash costs. In addition, EBITDA increase was also driven by increased nickel ore sales to third parties, resulting EBITDA from nickel ore sales rising 52% YoY to US\$44 million.

From the bottom line, MDKA's net profit loss is starting to improve. MDKA suffered a loss of US\$35 million in 9M25, down from US\$67 million in 9M24. This improvement in loss was driven by a 55% YoY increase in MDKA's operating profit, driven by efficiencies in operating costs and cost of revenue. Furthermore, there was a 85% YoY decrease in other expenses, driven by foreign exchange losses from lower exchange rates. Meanwhile, MDKA's financial burden increased 16% YoY due to the company's issuance of new bonds. This economic weakness was a factor contributing to MDKA's loss amidst the development of several new MDKA projects. Furthermore, the composition of NCI to profit was higher than that of the parent entity's owners, resulting in a loss in MDKA's net profit balance.

MDKA continues to focus on production optimization and cost efficiency. This is evidenced by a significant increase in nickel production targets, with limonite ore increasing 48% YoY and saprolite increasing 135% YoY. This production is in line with MDKA's target for NPI production in 2025, estimated at 70-80 thousand tons, and downstream cooling produces limonite, which aligns with MDKA's development portfolio for producing MHP. Furthermore, MDKA optimized gold sales with a 12% YoY increase in 9M25 amid rising gold prices and demand. Meanwhile, efficiency is demonstrated by decreases in operating costs for limonite and saprolite production of 12% YoY and 5% YoY, respectively. Efficiency is also evident in the optimization of NPI production relative to HGNM, given the latter's significantly higher production costs. However, MDKA expects to resume HGNM production at lower costs in 4Q25.

MDKA continues to strengthen its mineral business portfolio through the development of gold and copper projects, which will drive the company's future growth. This is reflected in the development of the TB Copper and Pani Gold projects as core assets. TB Copper is one of the largest copper and gold projects in Indonesia. This project has total mineral resources of approximately 1.74 billion tons with a copper grade of 0.47% and gold of 0.50 grams per ton, equivalent to approximately 8.2 million tons of copper and 27.9 million ounces of gold. Currently, TB Copper is in the feasibility study stage, with initial commercial operations expected within several years following completion of the development and permitting phases. Meanwhile, the Pani Gold project has recorded 83% development progress and will commence initial ore mining on October 1, 2025. This project has total resources of approximately 7 million ounces of gold, with approximately 4–5 million ounces in the measured and indicated categories, and is expected to be one of MDKA's main revenue contributors in the coming years. In addition to developing mining projects, MDKA also strengthened its funding through the initial public offering of PT Merdeka Gold Resources Tbk (EMAS), which successfully raised US\$282 million to support long-term business growth.

MDKA continues to optimize nickel downstreaming through MBMA. The construction progress of several HPAL projects demonstrates this. One such project is the PT SLNC project, which has reached approximately 54% progress for the HPAL plant and approximately 20% for the feed preparation facility (FPP). The SLNC project is expected to begin producing MHP gradually after the commissioning phase, with initial production of approximately 18,000 tons in 2026. Meanwhile, MHP production through PT ESG continues to improve, with a target of full capacity of 25–30,000 tons at a cash cost below US\$9,000 per ton. As of 3Q25, PT ESG has produced 7,181 tons of nickel and recorded sales of 7,554 tons of MHP. In the future, MDKA will remain focused on strengthening nickel downstreaming through continued investment in RKEF and HPAL facilities, accompanied by increased production of saprolite and limonite ores to reduce cash costs and improve the production efficiency of processed nickel products.

Using the Sum of the Parts method, we estimate MDKA's fair value at Rp3,140/share (14.5x Expected EV/EBITDA FY25F, Terminal Growth of 1.46%, and Required Return of 9.35%), higher than the previous Rp2,510/share. Considering MDKA's fair price and performance, we give MDKA a buy rating with a potential upside of 43.38%.

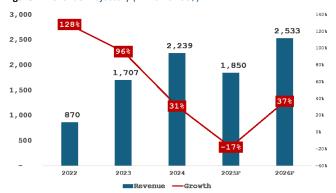
Table 1. Financial Results in 9M25

PT Merdeka Copper Gold Tbk										
(in Millions of US\$)	9M24	9M25	YoY	2Q25	3Q25	YoY	Phintas Estimate	%Run Rate		
Financial Statement										
Revenue	1,668	1,287	-22.8%	352	432	22.71%	1,850	70%		
COGS	(1,409)	(950)	-32.5%	(253)	(298)	17.7%	(1,607)	59%		
Gross Profit	259	337	30.1%	100	135	35.3%	438	77%		
EBITDA	222	295	32.7%	87	118	35.9%	374	79%		
EBIT	79	122	54.6%	35	43	21.1%	169	72%		
Net Profit	(67)	(35)	-48.1%	(12)	(19)	-57.1%				
Financial Ratio										
GPM	15.5%	26.2%	10.6%	28.3%	31.2%	2.9%				
OPM	4.7%	9.5%	4.7%	10.1%	9.9%	-0.1%				
NPM	-4.0%	-2.7%	1.3%	-3.4%	-4.4%	-1.0%				

Source : Company | Phintraco Sekuritas Research

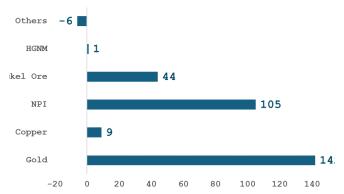
Performance Highlight

Figure 1. Revenue Trajectory (million of US\$)



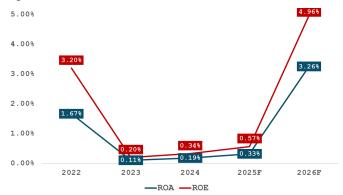
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Figure 3. Consolidated Group EBITDA



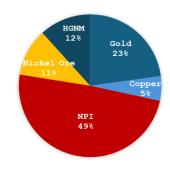
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Figure 5. ROA & ROE



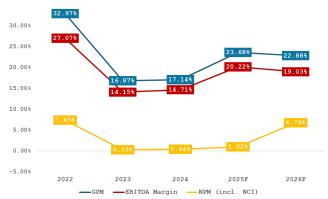
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Figure 2. Consolidated Group Revenue



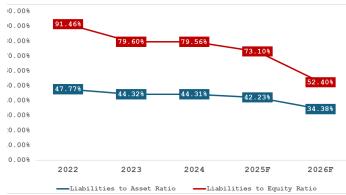
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Figure 4. Profitability Ratio



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Figure 6. Leverage Ratio



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Performance Highlight

Figure 7. PBV Band (3 year)



Source: Bloomberg| Phintraco Sekuritas Research

Figure 8. EV/EBITDA Band (3 year)



Source: Bloomberg | Phintraco Sekuritas Research

Table 2. Operational Highlight

Items	Unit	1Q24	2Q24	3Q24	4Q24	1Q25	2Q25	3Q25	YoY	QoQ
Gold										
Production	oz	24,139	25,382	30,522	35,824	25,481	25,143	25,338	-17%	1%
Sales	oz	26,633	25,004	27,778	29,056	36,796	22,739	29,629	7%	30%
ASP	\$/oz	2,106	2,262	2,406	2,672	2,757	3,207	3,275	36%	2%
Cash cost	\$/oz	1,065	1,110	952	975	932	1,320	1,466	54%	11%
AISC	\$/oz	1,479	1,492	1,183	1,260	1,319	1,972	2,028	71%	3%
Cash Margin	\$/oz	1,041	1,152	1,454	1,697	1,825	1,887	1,809	24%	-4%
Copper										
Production	t	3,046	3,626	3,811	3,419	2,381	1,854	3,228	-15%	74%
Sales	t	4,313	2,027	4,970	3,101	2,975	1,742	2,557	-49%	47%
ASP	\$/lb	3.79	4.21	4.26	4.18	4.13	4.23	4.37	3%	3%
Cash cost	\$/lb	2.67	2.66	3.51	1.63	2.76	3.35	2.75	-22%	-18%
AISC	\$/lb	3.69	3.41	4.36	2.83	3.8	4.75	3.56	-18%	-25%
Cash Margin	\$/lb	1.12	1.56	0.75	2.55	1.37	0.88	1.63	117%	85%
Saprolite										
Production	m wmt	0.5	0.4	1	3	1.3	1.2	2	90%	59%
Sales	m wmt	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.5	2	67%	31%
ASP	\$/wmt	30.3	30.2	28.8	27.4	25.8	25	24.8	-14%	-1%
Cash cost	\$/wmt	28.4	24.9	23.8	21.6	24.6	24	23.3	-2%	-3%
Cash Margin	\$/wmt									
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Limonite										
Production	m wmt	1.2	1.8	3.7	3.4	1.8	2.5	5.6	51%	124%
Sales	m wmt	0.6	2.9	3.5	4.1	2.1	2.8	4	17%	46%
ASP	\$/wmt	13.2	16.5	15.3	17.9	14.9	15.4	14.4	-6%	-6%
Cash cost	\$/wmt	11.5	12.1	9.9	9	12.7	10.9	7.9	-20%	-28%
Cash Margin	\$/wmt	1.7	4.4	5.4	8.9	2.2	4.4	6.5	20%	46%
NPI										
Production	tNi	20,900	21,882	20,557	18,823	16,297	16,748	19,819	-4%	18%
Sales	tNi	21,621	20,846	19,900	18,831	16,297	16,748	19,819	-5%	18%
ASP	\$/tNi	11,055	11,536	12,041	11,887	11,582	11,502	11,273	-6%	-2%
Cash cost	\$/tNi	10,107	10,288	10,776	10,037	10,053	9,719	9,059	-16%	-7%
AISC	\$/tNi	10,223	10,370	10,961	10,376	10,804	10,092	9,281	-15%	-8%
Cash Margin	\$/tNi	948	1,247	1,265	1,850	1,528	1,783	2,215	75%	24%
HGNM		12.211	10 100	10.000						
Production	tNi	12,041	13,402	12,979	11,893	9,525	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sales	tNi	14,404	12,804	13,192	12,005	10,000	754	N/A	N/A	N/A
ASP	\$/tNi	13,673	14,819	13,350	13,229	13,473	12,624	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cash cost	\$/tNi	13,120	12,988	13,820	14,312	13,230	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
AISC	\$/tNi	13,162	13,016	13,830	14,348	13,251	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Cash Margin	\$/tNi	552	1,832	-469	-1,084	242	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source: Company| Phintraco Sekuritas Research

Key Financial Figures

				(in mil	lion of USD)
BALANCE SHEET	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25F	FY26F
Asset					
Cash	444	519	451	1,047	511
Trade Receivables	66	121	180	113	140
Inventories	251	444	454	353	499
Other Current Assets	135	124	143	124	135
Total Current Assets	896	1,207	1,228	1,636	1,285
Fixed Assets - Net	1,823	2,376	2,601	3,150	2,909
Other Non-Current Assets	1,158	1,382	1,408	912	1,085
Total Non-Current Assets	2,981	3,757	4,009	4,062	3,994
Liabilities					
Trade Payables	110	304	239	212	265
Short Term Borrowings (Loans)	334	453	691	627	357
Other Current Liabilities	161	153	182	206	277
Total Current Liabilities	605	909	1,112	1,045	899
Long Term Borrowings (Loans)	1,078	1,130	1,033	1,187	741
Other Non-Current Liabilities	170	161	175	175	175
Total Non-Current Liabilities	1,247	1,291	1,208	1,362	916
Equity					
Total Equity	1,003	927	922	1,272	1,374
Minority Interest	1 022	1 837	1 994	2 020	2 090

Minority Interest 1,022
Source : Company | Phintraco Sekuritas Research

				(in million of USD)		
INCOME STATEMENT	FY22	FY23	FY24		FY26F	
Revenue	870	1,707	2,239	1,850	2,533	
Growth	128.34%	96.21%	31.18%	-17.37%	36.90%	
Cost of Revenue (exc. D&A)	583	1,419	1,855	1,607	2,148	
Gross Profit	287	288	384	243	385	
GPM	32.97%	16.87%	17.14%	13.12%	15.19%	
EBITDA	235	242	329	374	482	
EBITDA Margin	27.07%	14.15%	14.71%	20.22%	19.03%	
EBIT	112	97	119	169	287	
EBIT Margin	12.83%	5.67%	5.31%	9.12%	11.34%	
Profit Before Tax	90	12	22	47	220	
EBT Margin	10.3%	0.7%	1.0%	2.5%	8.7%	
Profit After Tax	65	6	10	19	172	
NPM	7.5%	0.3%	0.4%	1.0%	6.8%	

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MDKA SOTP Valuatio	n	Valuation Method	EV	MDKA's stake	Adjusted EV
Gold					
Pani Gold P	roject	DCF	2009	63%	1266
Tujuh Bukit	Gold Mine	DCF	1311	100%	1311
Copper					
Wetar Copp	er Pyrite Mine	DCF	244	100%	244
Tujuh Bukit	Copper Project	NPV	808	100%	808
Nickel					
MBMA		SOTP	4556	50.4%	2296
Total Enterprise Value)				5,925
Net Debt (C	ash) - FY24				(1,273)
Equity Value					4,652
Outstanding	Shares				24,473
Target Price (in USD)					0.19
Target Price (in IDR)					3,136

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				(in mil	lion of USD)
CASH FLOW	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25F	FY26F
Cash Flow from Operating					
Net Income	65	6	10	19	172
Depreciation & Amortization	185	169	195	1027	438
Working Capital	(71)	(59)	(120)	177	(102)
Others	50	(59)	3	42	19
Net-CFFO	229	57	88	1265	527
Cash Flow from Investing					
Capital Expenditure	(1612)	(722)	(421)	(1576)	(197)
Others	(688)	(163)	(27)	459	(146)
Net-CFFI	(2300)	(886)	(448)	(1117)	(343)
Cash Flow from Financing					
Borrowings	963	220	135	90	(734)
Others	186	(50)	15	1	14
Equity	1181	734	143	357	0
Net-CFFF	2329	903	292	447	(720)
NET CASH FLOW	258	75	(68)	596	(536)

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RATIOS	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25F	FY26F
Profitability Ratio (%)		v			
GPM	32.97%	16.87%	17.14%	23.68%	22.88%
EBITDA Margin	27.07%	14.15%	14.71%	20.22%	19.03%
NPM (incl. NCI)	7.45%	0.33%	0.44%	1.02%	6.79%
ROA	1.67%	0.11%	0.19%	0.33%	3.26%
ROE	3.20%	0.20%	0.34%	0.57%	4.96%
ROIC	2.04%	1.60%	1.73%	1.76%	2.88%
Activity Ratio (X)					
Inventory Turnover	3.70	4.50	4.60	4.49	5.50
Days of Inventory	98.64	81.04	79.30	80.17	84.79
Receivable Turnover	26.17	18.31	14.90	12.65	17.32
Days of Receivables	13.95	19.94	24.49	22.21	20.15
Payable Turnover	10.19	7.57	7.61	8.04	9.83
Days of Payables	35.81	48.23	47.96	48.09	45.02
Cash Operating Cycle	76.78	52.75	55.83	54.29	59.91
Leverage Ratio (%)					
Debt to Asset Ratio	36.42%	31.88%	32.92%	31.82%	20.80%
Debt to Equity Ratio	69.73%	57.25%	59.11%	55.08%	31.69%
Liabilities to Asset Ratio	47.77%	44.32%	44.31%	42.23%	34.38%
Liabilities to Equity Ratio	91.46%	79.60%	79.56%	73.10%	52.40%
Liquidity Ratio (X)					
Current Ratio	1.48	1.33	1.10	1.57	1.43
Quick Ratio	1.07	0.84	0.70	1.23	0.87
Cash Ratio	0.73	0.57	0.41	1.00	0.57
Price Ratio					
P/E (X)	110.50	(230.82)	(67.67)	(724.43)	45.68
P/B (X)	6.34	4.53	4.01	3.61	3.34
P/R (X)	7.31	2.46	1.65	2.48	1.81
Price per Share	4,120	2,700	2,390	3,140	3,140
OS (in million)	24,473	24,473	24,473	24,473	24,473
EPS (USD) (Annualized)	0.00	(0.00)	(0.00)	(0.00)	0.00
EPS (IDR) (Annualized)	37.29	(11.70)	(35.32)	(4.33)	68.74
BVPS (USD)	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.06
BVPS (IDR)	650	596	596	871	941
RPS (USD)	0.04	0.07	0.09	0.08	0.11
RPS (IDR)	564	1,097	1,447	1,266	1,733
EV/EBITDA (X)	31.53	22.06	15.27	14.50	10.88

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Glossarium

CFFO : Cash generated or used by a company's core business activities.

CFFI : Cash inflows and outflows resulting from transactions related to the company's financing activities.

CFFF : Cash inflows and outflows related to a company's financial activities, such as issuing or repurchasing shares, borrowing, or repaying loans.

EBITDA : Company's profitability by excluding interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization.

EBIT : Company's profitability from its core operations, excluding interest expenses and taxes.

EBT : Company's profit before accounting for income tax expenses.

OPM : Financial ratio that measures the percentage of profit a company makes from its core operations, relative to its revenue.

NPM : Financial ratio that shows the percentage of profit a company retains from its total revenue after all expenses, are deducted.

ROA : Financial ratio that measures a company's ability to generate profit from its assets.

ROE : Financial ratio that measures a company's profitability in relation to shareholders' equity.

EPS : Portion of a company's profit allocated to each outstanding share of common stock

BVPS : Value of a company's equity on a per-share basis.

RPS : Amount of revenue generated for each outstanding share of a company's stock.

PER : Financial ratio that compares a company's market price per share to its earnings per share (EPS).

PBV : Financial ratio that compares a company's market price per share to its book value per share.

DPS : Amount of dividend a company pays to its shareholders for each outstanding share.

DPR : Financial ratio that shows the proportion of a company's earnings paid out as dividends to shareholders.

EV : Total value of a company, including its market capitalization, debt, and excluding cash and cash equivalents.

HGNM : A semi-refined nickel product used as a feedstock for further refining into battery-grade nickel chemicals (such as nickel sulfate) or refined nickel metal.

NPI : A crude nickel iron alloy with relatively low nickel content (typically 4–15% Ni), used primarily as a substitute for pure nickel in stainless steel manufacturing.

MHP : A semi-processed nickel–cobalt intermediate used as a feedstock for producing battery-grade nickel and cobalt chemicals, such as nickel sulfate.

Saprolite : A magnesium-rich, high-nickel laterite ore commonly used as feedstock for producing Nickel Pig Iron (NPI) or ferronickel through smelting.

Limonite : An iron-rich, low-nickel laterite ore commonly used as feedstock for HPAL processing to produce MHP or mixed nickel–cobalt intermediates for battery materials.

RKEF : Nickel smelting technology used to process saprolite laterite ore into NPI or ferronickel, offering relatively lower capex and faster ramp-up compared to HPAL.

: Hydrometallurgical processing method used to treat limonite laterite ore to produce MHP, which is further refined into battery-grade nickel and cobalt chemicals.

ASP : Metric that reflects the average price at which a product is sold, calculated by dividing total revenue by total volume sold over a given period.

Cash Cost : Operating cost required to produce a unit of output, excluding non-cash items such as depreciation, amortization, and impairment.



Rating for Stocks:

: The stock is expected to give return of more than 10% over the next 12 months.

Hold : The stock is expected to give return of between -10% and 10% over the next 12 months.

Sell : The stock is expected to give return of less than -10% over the next 12 months.

Outperform : The industry is expected to perform slightly better than the market return. Equal to

"moderate buy".

Neutral : The industry is expected to perform in line with the market return. Equal to "hold"

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